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The Bread and Puppet Theater brought its caravan of bread, puppetry, and theatre to Hamilton on Wednesday for its production of "Mr. Budhoo's Letter of Resignation from the IMF." See story in Arts & Entertainment.

ISC lifts restriction

First years allowed at parties

BY MEG BLACKBURN '96
NEWS STAFF WRITER

While revising the Inter-Society Council's constitution during a meeting last Sunday, the governing body for fraternities and sororities decided to revoke its ban on first year student attendance at private society parties thrown before October Break.

The majority of the council felt that there were enough restrictions placed on societies now that they are unable to use their houses for any purpose. Many also felt that the rule served no purpose as the number of parties thrown by societies has decreased significantly from past years.

The rule, which had been in effect until the meeting Sunday night, restricted first years from going to any private society function until after October break. This year it would have kept first years from attending society parties until October 11, the last day of break. There remains, however, a restriction on rushing activities, which cannot begin until November 1.

The ban on first year attendance was part of the prior constitution for the ISC. It was an outdated constitution filled with inconsistencies, and what some members called ridiculous rules. The revision process for a new, more operable constitution was started last semester and some members of the council worked on it over the summer.

The meeting Sunday night was held in order to review the rewritten constitution and present it to the full voting body of the council so that necessary last minute changes could be made and agreed upon. A new constitution was necessary, not only because of the poor quality of the prior constitution, but also because of the ISC's demand for increased responsibility from students as part of the newly structured social life at Hamilton.

Alumni contributions at all-time high

BY DAVID H. TOWNSEND '97
MANAGING EDITOR

Historically, alumni of Hamilton College have been very generous in giving to their alma mater, and this year has been no different. In its most recent fund-raising drive, the College raised more than $11 million through contact with alumni and parents. The money will be used for physical plant improvements, attracting faculty, and student scholarships and aid packages.

It was the first time in seven years that Hamilton was able to raise more than $10 million from alumni and parents. "We are obviously very pleased," said Dick Tantillo, Vice President of Communications and Development.

There has been much concern about the effect which the recent Residential Life decision would have on alumni contributions to the school. While this past fund raising drive has been an unquestionable success, doubts regarding future giving have not been eliminated. The $11 million was raised during the fiscal year from July 1 to June 30, so the majority of the drive took place before March 4, the date of the release of the Residential Life decision. The final figures represent only four months of post-decision contributions. While gauging alumni's feelings concerning what direction the college is heading may be difficult, many feel the annual fund drive is the most accurate measure. "This years drive is something we will be watching very closely," says Tantillo. "Other schools that have made a similar change [in their policy regarding private societies] have experienced a drop in contributions. It is something we are concerned with."

Alumni perspectives on future contributing differ. Julia McCormack '86, Director of Development for a cancer center in New York City predicts that while a momentary drop may occur, Hamilton will not suffer

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Rethinking the bomb

BY GABRIEL MEYER '96
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Among this year's new course offerings at Hamilton is an interdisciplinary first year seminar, Hiroshima and After: The First 50 Years of the Atom Bomb, also known as College 120. Team taught by professors from four departments, the course coincides with the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II.

Considered by many to be the most unique course offered to first year college students anywhere, College 120 has attracted national attention. It has been featured in *USA Today, The Chronicle of Higher Education*, and National Public Radio, as well as other newspapers, in which its four professor have been interviewed and written articles.

The course draws upon a wide range of literature and films, as well as speakers, who will deliver public lectures at Hamilton.

One of the highlights of College 120 will come on Monday, when Martin J. Sherwin will visit the Hamilton campus and deliver a lecture entitled "Hiroshima as History, Politics and Memory." Sherwin is the Walter S. Dickson Professor of History at Tufts University and author of *A World Destroyed: Hiroshima and the Origins of the Arms Race,* a book included in the course material for College 120. Sherwin was also an advisor to the Smithsonian Museum's controversial Enola Gay exhibit, which de-

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Oh, what a tangled Web we weave

A user-friendly guide to Hamilton's new network

BY SCOTT KOCHER '97
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

What on earth is that white box under your bed? Why did that security guy and his cohorts barge in on you during your afternoon nap and fiddle with those wires? And what's all this talk about Hamilton's new "campus-wide network"?

Here's the story (in English this time). By the end of September, all students will have direct access to the Hamilton College computer network, as well as to the Internet, from their dorm rooms. This means that you can check the College library catalogue for remaining copies of Shakespeare's *The Tempest,* access financial databases for an Economics class, argue over the merits of Communism with students in China, discover a new recipe for baking double-chocolate fudge brownies, or even download the theme song to *Schindler's List.* And all this in your pajamas at 10 a.m. on a Sunday morning.

But here's the catch: you'll need your own computer.

Getting connected

If you don't have a computer, you need to purchase one to connect to the Internet. Although Hamilton's Computer Center is primarily Macintosh-based, you can buy either one of the two types of personal computers: Macintosh or IBM-compatible. Both work equally well with the new network. If you need advice on purchasing a computer, you should contact Matt Heinrich at the College Store's computer department. Here's something to keep in mind: there is currently a nation-wide shortage of computers and computer equipment, so you might be waiting weeks or months for your machine to arrive.

If you already have a computer, then all you need is a *network adapter.* This device, which is installed directly inside your computer, allows you to communicate with other computers at Hamilton and throughout the world. The College Store carries network adapters, which range from $95 to $230, depending on computer model. Free installation is provided if you purchase the adapter from the College Store. If you obtain a network adapter elsewhere, students are recommended to purchase ones

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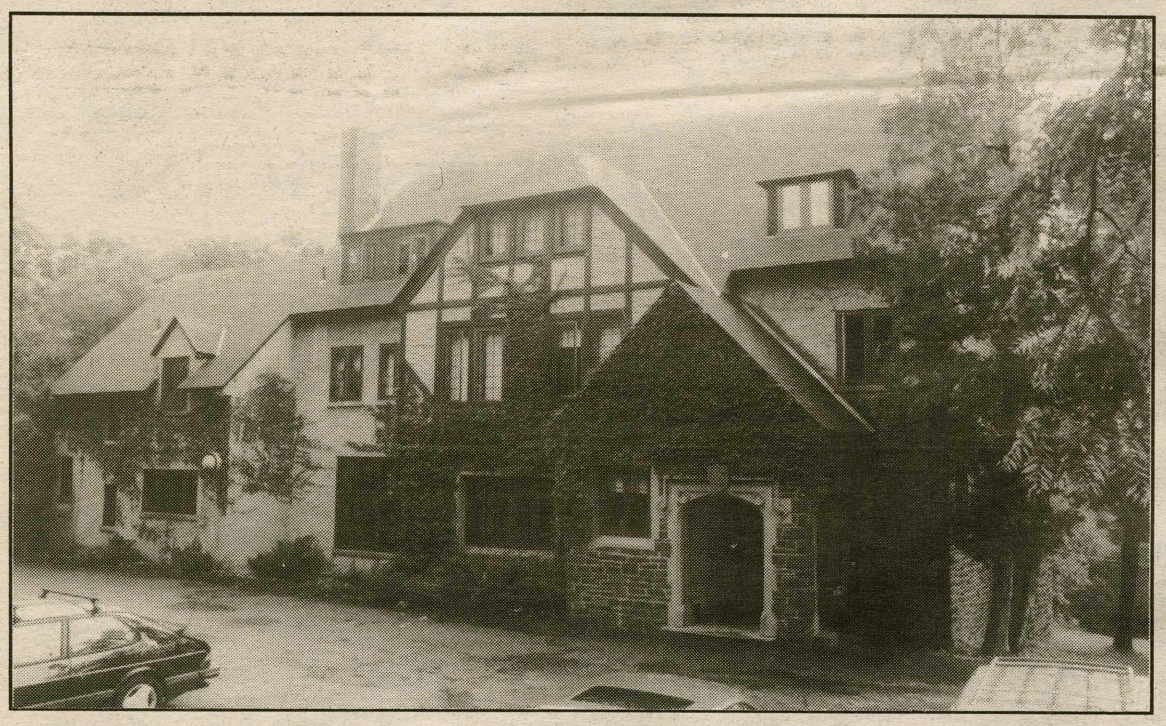
DKE suffers repeated burglaries

Over forty youths involved in summer break-ins



The DKE house.

PHOTO BY KATE VAIL '96

By Meg Blackburn '96
NEWS STAFF WRITER

The Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity house (DKE) was burglarized repeatedly by Clinton teenagers during Memorial Day weekend and the week that followed, resulting in a loss of $10,000 to $30,000 worth of property.

Ten teenagers were arrested by Kirkland police on May 31 and June 1. Two of those arrested will be tried as adults, while the others have been granted Youthful Offender status. More than forty youths involved in the burglaries have been interviewed since the time of the arrests. Hearings for the case were conducted throughout the summer, and a court date is set for September 26.

Some of the stolen property has been retrieved, but is still being used by the Kirkland Police as evidence in the case. The two sons of Terry Hawkridge, Hamilton's Assistant director of Physical Plant, were involved in the burglary but returned all of the property they had stolen.

The DKE house was not occupied at the time of the first burglary over Memorial Day weekend. Bill Murphy '96, a DKE brother, returned to the house Monday, May 29 to find the door open and his television and VCR missing. The five students who were still living in the house after the end of the school year had gone home for Memorial day weekend before moving downtown to their summer apartments.

In the first burglary televisions, computers, stereos, VCR's, clothing and various other items both valuable and inexpensive, were taken. Tuesday afternoon, May 30, the house was again burglarized. This time the teenagers broke through the doors with a geology hammer that was found inside. They smashed windows above some doors to get into rooms. The house was ransacked.

At this point, Campus Safety and Kirkland Police had been informed of the incidents. Said Murphy, "Security was really helpful. Pat Ingalls [Director of Campus Safety] got us walkie-talkies so we could call them, and they could call the police the next time it happened."

Tuesday night a group of Hamilton students spent the night on the living room floor of the DKE house awaiting the burglars. Murphy was at Bristol Campus Center when a group of six boys and two girls arrived to again break into the house. The teenagers were detained while Murphy called the police. According to Murphy, one burglar said, "What will our parents think?" while waiting to be arrested.

Even after the arrests Wednesday morning, while Murphy and other DKE brothers were downtown giving their depositions to the police, there were two more break-ins. The second time, Murphy was in the house. He confronted two boys, one of whom jumped out the window and ran. The other swung on an electric cable onto the roof. He then jumped a distance of what Murphy said was 35 feet to the ground.

The burglaries continued throughout the week and finally stopped. Looking back on the incident, Murphy said, "It was weird, some parents [of the convicted teenagers] were angry, and some were angry with us. They were worried about protecting the kids. But some people in town have been exceptionally supportive and I really appreciate that."

After the week of the burglaries, the remaining DKE brothers struggled to move out of the house and clean it without disturbing evidence that police needed. Over the summer the house was occupied by a cello institute, a basketball camp and is now the home of 28 first year students. No similar incidents have occurred.

On prevention of such problems Ingalls said, "It all comes back to people taking responsibility for their space. That means locking their doors, carrying keys, and not propping the exterior doors open." Although this won't stop all thefts, it will help cut down on the likelihood of further, similar incidents, noted Ingalls.

During the DKE burglary incident, Campus Safety patrolled the house and offered help with the situation. They also patrolled campus heavily during the summer months. Ingalls expressed relief that nobody was hurt in the burglaries. With shared responsibility between students and security, and a pro-active attitude, she believes the campus can be a safe place.

Hamilton College News Bulletin

Two noted lecturers to speak on campus

Hamilton recently announced the pending arrival of two lecturers who will give talks in the closing weeks of September. Dr. Leonard I. Sweet, Dean of the Theological School at Drew University will give a lecture entitled "A Historian Looks at the Future of Spirituality" and Emily Townes, this year's Tuggle Lecturer will present "And All the Colored Folks is Cursed: The Impact of HIV/AIDS on the African-American Community."

Sweet, author of eleven books and over 100 articles, will speak this Monday night at 7:30 in the Chapel. Having served ten years as chancellor and professor of church history at United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio, Sweet has also held many leadership positions in the United Methodist Church. In addition he is to be the North American keynote speaker at the 1996 World Methodist Conference in Rio de Janiero.

Townes, associate professor of Christian Social Ethics at the Saint Paul School of Theology in Kansas City, Missouri, has worked extensively with issues surrounding AIDS both on a national and community level. Her talk next Thursday evening at 7:30 in the Chapel will focus on issues of AIDS in the black community. From her experiences with various organizations including the Chicago AIDS Pastoral Care Network, she has published articles in numerous journals as well as three books.

College 120: "Tough, but rewarding"

Tobin applauds professors' intellectual initiative

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picts the dropping of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima.

"[Sherwin] goes back and forth between the world of high foreign policy making and high science, and how they were brought together in the course of the second world war," said Professor of History Maurice Isserman, who teaches one section of College 120. Professors Barbara Gold of the Classics Department, Peter Rabinowitz of Comparative Literature, and James Ring of Physics, teach the other three sections.

Sherwin's lecture will be one of several delivered as part of the course. Materials used for the course include books ranging from the Greek classics, to Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*, to John Hersey's *Hiroshima,* an account of the experiences of the bomb's victims during the days after it was dropped. Movies including *The Day After Trinity* and *Dr. Strangelove* will also be shown as part of the course.

College 120 meets three times a week; from 1 o'clock until 2:15 Monday and Wednesday afternoons, and from 1 o'clock until 4 o'clock on Fridays for five and a half hours of class time each week, far more than the typical government or history course offered at Hamilton.

Class sessions are split between lectures and discussions. Though each professor gives lectures on different aspects of the decision to drop the bomb, they attempt to cover the same material during discussion sessions. As much of the material is outside the professor's fields of study, College 120 has been a learning experience for them as well as their students.

"I think that it's important for our own intellectual stimulation to break out from what we've doing for years and years," said Gold, who has long taught classes on the *Iliad* and *Antigone*, two of the readings College 120 draws upon.

The course included a lecture this Monday, given by James Ring, on the building of the atomic bomb and its underlying scientific principles.

"The last time I took physics was in high school," said Isserman. "I'm learning and rediscovering a whole field of knowledge I'm not ordinarily exposed to."

President Eugene Tobin has applauded the faculty members teaching College 120 for their "willingness to stretch themselves intellectually."

"I think it's one of the most innovative, intellectually stimulating, and interesting courses offered to first year students anywhere in America," he said.

Most student taking College 120 also speak highly of it.

"I really like this course," said Alyssa Conover '99 who is in Isserman's section. "It has the most work involved, but it's also my favorite course."

"I think it's a really good course to be offered," said Gina Gomez '99, whose grandfather fought as a Marine in the Pacific. "[The bomb] was something that affected my parents, and yet I was never that affected by it. But now, with this knowledge, it has affected my life too."

"It's definitely one of the hardest courses I have," she said. "The papers are very, very hard. I think it's just as hard, even if there aren't any tests."

The course work includes six papers assigned at two week intervals, though no exams, nor a final, are given.

Some students taking College 120 have been paired with roommates also enrolled in the course. This is part of a pilot program aimed at better integrating academic and residential life on the Hamilton campus. With their acceptance letters, members of the Class of 1999 offered the opportunity to preregister for College 120 and could request to live with roommates also taking the course.

President Tobin said that the course "embodies some of the idea's we're experimenting with." These ideas were derived from the Report of the Committee on Residential Life, which called for better integration of academic and residential life at Hamilton.

Alysa Ball '99, who lives with Gomez, said that living with a fellow classmate has enhanced her learning experience. "We get to help each other out and continue our conversation," she said. "I'm definitely glad we're living together."

Ball said the most interesting aspect of the course is learning how complicated the decision to drop the bomb was. "So far, people ask me, 'Do you think we should have dropped the bomb?' I used to be able to answer that, but now I'm not so sure. There is so much that went on during the time period with all these different factors."

Nevertheless, Ball said that as a new seminar, College 120 is not without its flaws. "Because we're covering such a wide range of material, we have to go really fast," she said. "There's a lot of reading and I don't think we go over it enough."

The faculty members teaching College 120 speak highly of the concept of the first year seminar. Hiroshima and After is the second College course to be offered at Hamilton. The other seminar, Unity of Knowledge, better known as College 100, is now in its third year. Though final decisions have not been made, College 120 may be offered again next year and may set the stage for a wider offering of first year seminars in the future.

News from other Ivory Towers

--compiled by Joe November '97

Two students from Duke abducted at gunpoint and assaulted

Armed assailants abducted two Duke University students early last Saturday morning, twice raping a woman and brutally beating a man in a crime described by police as "the first one known of this severity in a long time." The two students were abducted at gunpoint and forced into their own car as they left a student apartment building near campus. The assailants then drove the students' car to a secluded area where the male student was beaten and left for dead while the female student was raped twice and forced back into her car. The assailants then proceeded to look for an ATM machine in order to use the female student's cash card before abandoning both her and the car. The female student ran to a phone booth and called for help. The male student is now in stable condition in the Duke University Hospital. Duke students described the incident as "an accident waiting to happen." So far, two suspects have been arrested and Duke plans tighter off-campus security.

The Duke University Chronicle

Disgruntled food service hides the school paper because of bad reviews

When The Cavalier Daily, the University of Virginia's newspaper, published an article which portrayed the school's food unfavorably, the school's food service, ARAmark, was not pleased. In fact, ARAmark manager John Darmstadt was so unhappy with the article that he stole roughly 4,000 copies of The Cavalier Daily's orientation issue and hid them for eight hours in order to prevent new students and their parents from reading about the dining service. After a week of negotiations with The Cavalier Daily, ARAmark agreed to give the newspaper $2,000 in scholarship funds and promised to compensate the paper for lost advertising revenue.

UVa- The Cavalier Daily

Colgate's exodus of minority faculty

Colgate continues to lose minority faculty members at an alarming rate. For the fourth time in two years, a minority professor on a tenure track has left the university. The most recent minority faculty member to resign is Dr. Max Hilaire, a political science professor from the Virgin Islands. Professor Hilaire cited Hamilton's (the NY town) homogeneity and the lack of a large minority community at Colgate as strongly influencing his decision to leave. Hilaire stated, "...being a minority professor at Colgate, you are leading a lonely life outside the classroom." In response to the recent departures, Colgate is making an effort to bring more minorities into the ranks of its faculty. No minority professors have been hired to replace those that left Colgate.

The Colgate Maroon News

Weekend Weather

Saturday: Fair, highs near 70. Lows in the 40's.

Sunday: Fair, highs in the upper 60's. Low near 40.

The Student Assembly Corner

We have been hard at work to bring all of you up to date on what is going on, especially with regard to the proposed amendment to the Constitution. A newsletter is enclosed with this copy of the Spectator, and in the Advertisement section, you will find a copy with the exact wording of the Amendment. If you have any questions about this matter or any other, please feel free to call either myself (x1629), Andrew Edelson, President of the Student Assembly (x1454), or any other Member of the Assembly (Office#: x4575), at any time.

Ali Hilaly (Chair of Communications)

News Briefs from around the World

--compiled by Matt Nolan '98

Americans killed when hot air balloon shot down

A hot air balloon participating in the annual Gordon Bennett Balloon Race across Europe was shot down by a Belorussian combat aircraft, killing the two American pilots. Two other American-piloted balloons were forced down and their pilots detained. Other reports stated that an Austrian balloon and a German balloon were forced to land as well.

A U.S. State Department spokesman declared the shooting of the balloon as "outrageous," stating that "whatever the circumstances... the shooting was absolutely indefensible." The Belarus government further upset the State Department by failing to notify them for more than 24 hours after the downing.

Continuing violence in Rwanda takes the lives of 100 ethnic Hutus

Following the death of a Rwandan Army lieutenant late Monday night near the border of Zaire, the army conducted widespread search for the killers. Tuesday's dawn brought with it the image of a Hutu village littered with the bodies of more that 100 men, women, and children, apparently slaughtered during the sweep.

The violence followed months of conflict in the region where Hutu guerrillas have been slipping over the Zaire border in the night and attacking Rwandan Government patrols. The predominately Tutsi government took over last year after a three month civil war during which Hutu government soldiers killed several hundred thousand people, mostly Tutsi.

Rocket-propelled grenade strikes U.S. Embassy wall in Moscow

A rocket-propelled grenade fired during rush hour on a busy Moscow street struck the outside of the U.S. Embassy in Moscow on Wednesday. The 4 p.m. attack did not injure anyone, but an office copier was destroyed by the explosive projectile.

There were no suspects in custody following the attack, but a glove, launching tube, and ski mask were found across the street from the embassy and are believed to have been used by the attacker. Speculation ties the attack to recent U.S. policy in Bosnia.

NATO leaders, military planners running out of targets in southeast Bosnia

NATO military commanders said they are running out of military targets in their attempts to force a withdrawal of Bosnian Serb artillery from around Sarajevo. The planned withdrawal has been the reason behind the two week old bombing campaign by NATO aircraft which has failed to yield the desired results.

Politicians and diplomats continue to balk at the idea of widening the scope of the strikes to civilian and non military targets. The American-led peace plan could be at risk if the strikes were to include civilian targets, and in the wake of recent progress combined with weakening Bosnian Serb army positions the merits of such strikes are said to be in doubt.

New evidence revealed in Colombian election scandal

Evidence continues to mount in a case charging that Colombian President Ernesto Samper's presidential campaign received millions of dollars from drug related contributors. Samper's campaign treasurer Santiago Medina was recently asked to widen the scope of his testimony in the investigation. Medina, who was arrested last month, has provided government investigators with not only testimony detailing the activities, but records of the many transactions as well.

AP and New York Times

National News Briefs

--compiled by Matt Nolan '98

Clinton meets briefly with the Dalai Lama

For the third time in three years President Bill Clinton "dropped in" on Vice President Al Gore's meeting with the Dalai Lama, the spiritual leader of Tibet. The "drop in" visit has been used to avoid an official Oval Office visit with the Dalai Lama, which it is feared would anger the Chinese Government.

Beijing considers Tibet a part of China, while Tibetans claim that the Chinese have occupied the Himalayan nation illegally since 1950. In addition the Tibetans accuse the Chinese government of attempting to suppress Tibet's religion and culture.

Two year investigation nets a dozen arrests in AOL kiddie porn ring

The Justice Department announced a dozen arrests Wednesday and predicted dozen more as they executed search warrants of over 125 homes. The sting and ensuing raids marked the first time that Federal agents had headed a formal investigation into a nationwide network which exchanges graphic material between personal computers.

Miami, New York, Dallas, and Newark were among the cities cited by the Justice Department as locales where the raids took place. The two year old investigation, conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, collected evidence of pornographic materials of children ages 2-13 nude or in simulated sexual acts.

Anti-Scientology computer bulletin board deemed legal

A Federal judge in Boulder Colorado has ordered the Church of Scientology to return computers and files seized from two men who were disseminating material critical of the church via a computer bulletin board. During two August 22 raids, Federal marshals and officials of the church seized hundreds of disks belonging to two Boulder men who ran Factnet, an anti-Scientology bulletin board.

Protesters outside the courthouse challenged the right of the government to control speech on the internet, while counter-protesters claimed that "only criminals spread lawlessness on the internet." The factnet bulletin board represented the largest mass of information on the church outside of its control.

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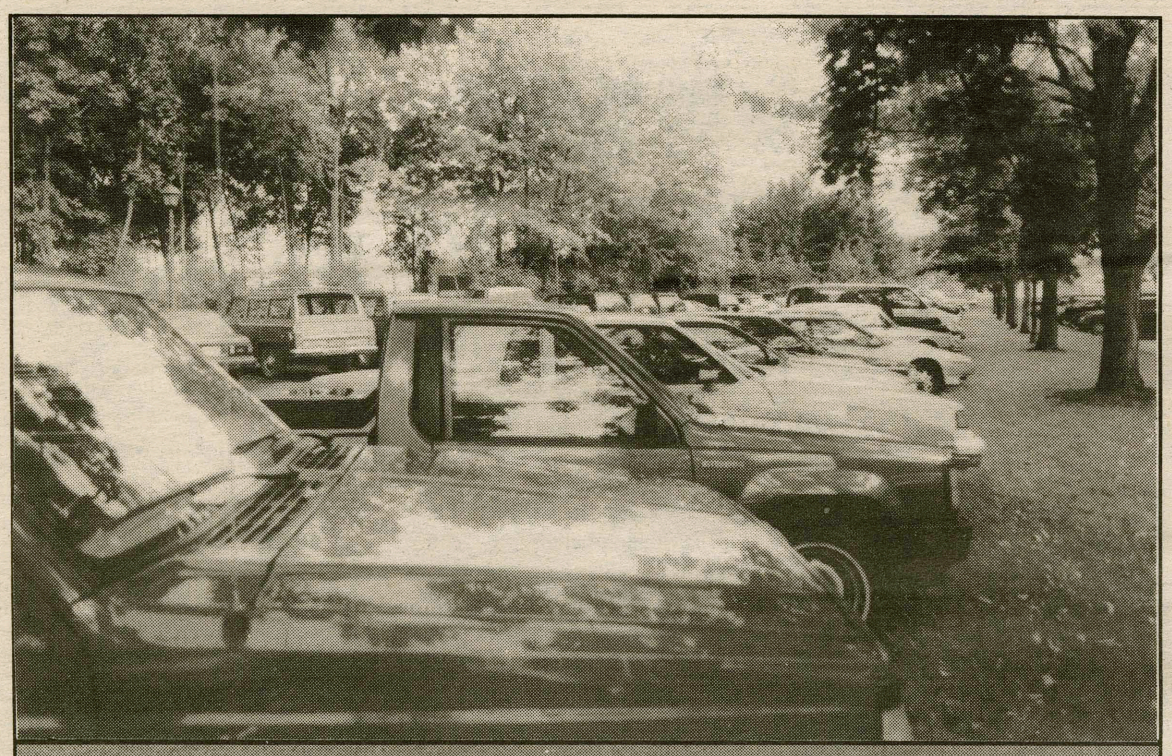

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Excessive numbers of cars in parking lots may result in congestion, shortness of temper and frequent headaches. If symptoms persist, notify Campus Safety immediately.

Parking woes continue to plague campus

Towing of illegally parked vehicles to begin next week

By Irina Papkov '99
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Hamilton's parking woes have come back with a vengeance this year as drivers must deal with overcrowded parking lots, illegally parked vehicles and stolen parking permits. During the day, when a large number of students living in downtown Clinton and outlying locations on campus commute to class by car, the remaining parking spaces on campus quickly fill up. Only a limited number of space are available for commuting students, located in the North and Fieldhouse parking lots.

Director of Campus Safety Pat Ingalls said she expects the problem to grow worse after Fall and Thanksgiving Breaks, when more students will bring cars back to campus. In addition, she said, a large number of vehicle are unregistered and space for them has not been allocated in any of the already overflowing campus parking lots.

Towing of unregistered vehicles will begin next week, Ingalls said, as will cars which have accumulated three or more tickets. The Parking Appeals Committee will swing into action next week to deal with ticket appeals and will meet bi-weekly thereafter. Students found to be using stolen or counterfeit permits will be tried by Hamilton's Judicial Board.

Ingalls makes several requests of the student body. She asks that students understand that faculty and staff parking spaces are not available for use at night and on weekends, because they are reserved for visitors and special events. In addition, parking on Griffin and Campus Roads is a violation of town and county ordinances, and those illegally parked will be ticketed by the Sheriff's Department and the Town of Kirkland.

For the safety of everyone, Ingalls asks that students observe the 15 miles per hour campus speed limit, and to remember that the speed limit on Campus Road has been reduced to 35 miles per hour. She also asks that students exercise caution when driving up and down College Hill Road because of an increased number of in-line skaters.

Wharton Professor Michael Useem to speak at Hamilton

Special to *The Spectator*

Michael Useem

Professor Michael Useem will address the role of the liberal arts in the global economy on September 20th at 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel. The title of the talk is, "The Restructuring of Work, Globalization of the Economy, and What You Should Expect from a Liberal Education."

Useem is a Professor of Management in the Wharton School and Professor of Sociology in the School of Arts and Sciences at the University of Pennsylvania. As a teacher, author and consultant, he has been one of the nation's leading researchers in understanding the unique contributions of the liberal arts education to the American economy.

Useem's talk is the first in the Presidential Focus Series. In past years, the Presidential Focus Series has focused on a variety of important issues—ranging from interdisciplinary programs concentrating on Africa, Asia or Central and South America to last year's focus on the environment. This year's program will focus on the changing nature of work and the liberal arts in the 21st century.

In his announcement of Useem's lector to the community, President Eugene M. Tobin noted that "Few issues are more important to our future than recognizing the impact of changes in technology, global competition and cultural values in the lives of our graduates."

Useem has consulted on organizational development and change with numerous companies and organizations including AT&T, Shell Oil, Astra/Merck, President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities, the U.N, and other organizations.

. Useem's university teaching includes courses on organizational design, corporate change, human resources, organizational leadership, and business & society. His teaching at the Wharton School in the MBA program has been recognized with teaching awards during the past several years.

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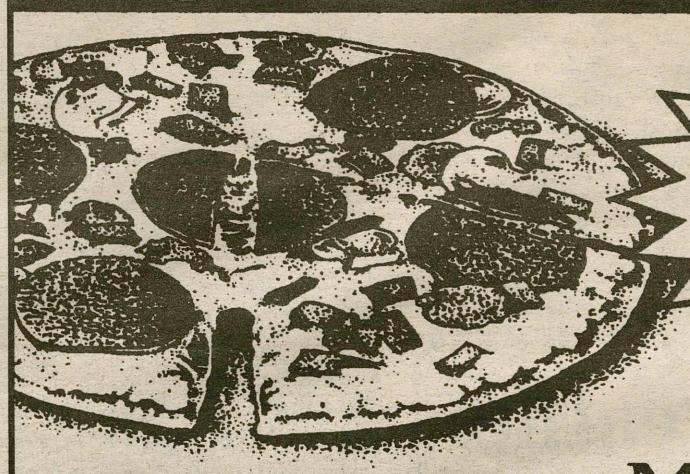

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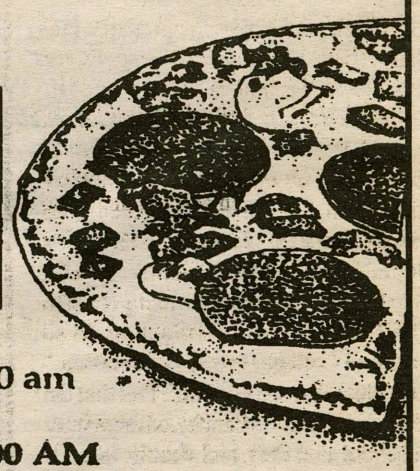

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Hamilton College's computer network, the power is (almost) on

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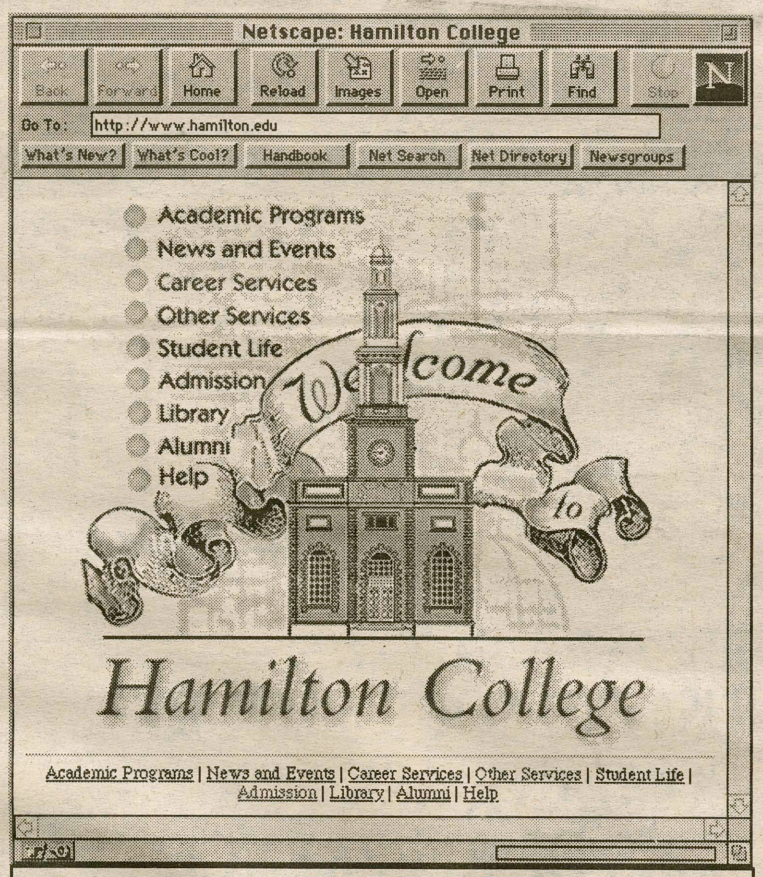
To help students install their network adapters, Information Technology Services (ITS) will be holding "Installation Fairs" on September 25 and again in October. If you bring your computer and network adapter to the Installation Fairs, ITS technicians will install your network adapter, as well as all the necessary software you'll need to connect to the Internet. The event is designed so that students can drop off their machines in the morning, and pick them up later in the day. If you're unable to attend the fairs, but need an adapter installed in your computer, contact Bill Linstruth at ITS.

So, now you have a computer and an adapter, but you still may be unsure of how to get connected. Well, here's how. That small white box in your room is a *network jack*, which is attached to the College's newly-installed underground computer network. The plug intended for your computer is denoted by the "Cat5" symbol. Simply insert your drop cable (which comes with the adapters) into the Cat5 jack, connect the other end to your computer, and voilá!, you're now ready to "surf" the Internet.

Of course, if you've never used a computer for more than word processing, you might not know how to surf (or even wade). Fear not. There's still a chance to avoid drowning in the depths of the Internet's virtual oceans.



A sneak peek at Hamilton's new World Wide Web home page.

Staying afloat

Internet "newbies" have a very difficult time coping with the rapid growth in computer technology. The proverbial technological riptide grows stronger every month, and students unfamiliar with computers often feel swamped by the volume of information and vast opportunities available. Knowing where to start is the most important lesson to learn.

Electronic mail is the most heavily-used Internet service. E-mail is a quick and convenient means of communication, and is therefore a good starting point for anyone interested in finding out more about the Internet and it's infinite possibilities. To get an E-mail account, stop by the help desk at the computer center, in the basement of Burke Library. The ITS Service Assistants there will help you get started.

Once you have an E-mail account, you can also check out the electronic news bulletin board system, which is a public forum for discussions on any imaginable topic, from "rec.drugs.psychedelic" to "sci.cryonics." In fact, Hamilton College has its own collection of news groups, but which have received little traffic so far. NewsWatcher, a program which allows student access to news groups, is provided when you receive an E-mail account.

You'll also be introduced to the World Wide Web, a graphics-based method of organizing information on the Internet. The Web's exponential growth in popularity since its inception in 1989 is attributed to its wide use of graphics, sound, and video technology. Hamilton College has its own Web home page, which can be accessed from any location around the world. Hamilton's Web pages will soon contain information on academic programs and departments, campus news and events, publications and activities, and links to other Web pages. The Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center also has a robust supply of Web resources for economics, public policy, and governmental research. All of these Web pages are now directly accessible from dorm rooms, with the simple click of a button.

To help students become more familiar with the Internet, ITS will be holding workshops periodically throughout the year. The workshops will include helping students and faculty get connected to the new network and become more familiar with navigating through the Web. For information on these workshops, contact Lisa Rogers, Assistant Director of ITS Educational Services.

Ironing out the wrinkles

Some students have complained that ITS failed to carry through with its promised network completion date of early September. Dave Smallen, Director of ITS, concedes that the network installation took one month longer than originally planned. The delay, he says, was primarily a result of slower-than-expected installation work crews.

Despite the hype surrounding Hamilton's high-speed network, there is no guarantee that the network will be functioning by the projected date. Smallen explains that "There are bound to be problems. This has never been done before at such a large scale." Over the next several weeks, ITS will have over one hundred students testing the network for bugs from their rooms, after which time the network will be fully operational. The more time and effort ITS spends on testing and debugging, the smoother will be the transition to the newer network. And just as Rome wasn't built in a day, neither was the fastest and most advanced network at any educational institution in the world.

Alumni donations uncertain in wake of Residential Life decision

*from **Donations** on page 1*

a serious long term decline in alumni contributions as a result of the decision. "Hamilton has a very sophisticated fund raising program, one of the best for a school of its size." McCormack said that the decision will not effect her desire to give to the college in the future.

Others do not share her optimism. David Hornblower '86 explained, "I know I speak for a large contingency of alumni, both men and women, who could give a lot of money to Hamilton in the course of their lifetime, when I say I am withholding further giving to the College. I will continue to do so until the College reverses its decision." It is clear that some alumni feel that the decision has disenfranchised them from a school that they feel deeply for.

One promising statistic was that 95 percent of seniors participated in last year's senior gift campaign. While seniors do not make up the bulk of donations to the College, it may serve as an indicator for future willingness to donate to Hamilton.

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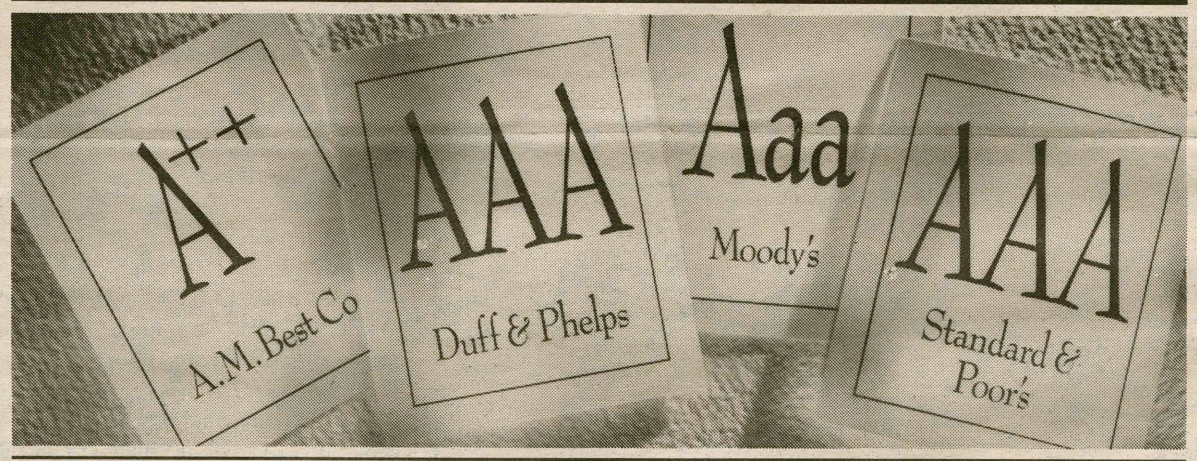

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The Editor-in-Chief takes flight

By Gabriel Meyer '96
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

After running down a final pre-takeoff check list, a voice from the control tower crackles over the headset, clearing us for takeoff on runway 15. My adrenaline level shoots up as I nudge the throttle slightly forward and let off the brakes.

No, this is not some far-fangled flight simulator computer program, complete with air traffic control. This is the real thing. I am sitting in a Cessna 152, a small, two seat, propeller aircraft, at the end of the taxiway at the Oneida County Airport, with my instructor, Rob Belton, of Kamp Air Aviation. This is the first of what I hope will be a series of flying lessons for me, ultimately leading to a private pilot's license.

Even though we have not yet left the ground, one of the most thrilling moments of the flight comes as we taxi into position on the runway, more than 100 feet wide, stretching a mile toward the horizon, glimmering in the morning sun. The view out the cockpit is one I've seen before only as a passenger on a commercial jet during the brief moment before takeoff, when the plane turns onto the runway, allowing those with window seats a brief glimpse of the view ahead. But this time I am no passenger.

We move slowly down the runway centerline. I cautiously advance the throttle, until Rob says, "Give it full throttle."

The engine responds quickly, and I am pushed back into my seat as the plane accelerates. Thanks to the well insulated headset I am wearing, I hardly notice the noise as the engine's soft hum gives way to a dull roar.

As we near 55 knots (a little more than 60 miles per hour), I pull back on the yoke. The sensation as you become airborne is entirely different when you are not a passenger. First, you feel your nosewheel lifting off the pavement, and seconds later, the feel of the runway beneath disappears as your main landing gear lifts off.

The ground below falls away surprising quickly and the late summer Central New York landscape quickly takes on the form of a map. We fly southeast and begin a shallow right turn until we're aimed south. The engine continues to run at full throttle until we reach our cruising altitude of 2,000 feet. To go any higher, we would need clearance from air traffic control. We encounter some slight turbulence, but nothing more than you would experience on a large jet.

After less than ten minutes in the air, there it is— Hamilton College! At first I don't even recognize it, but as it comes closer it takes on a recognizable form. It looks tiny from 2,000 feet up, nothing like the aerial views of campus taken for the viewbook. But everything is perfectly recognizable, like a highly detailed scale model. I couldn't believe I was looking at the real thing. As we pass over Mason Field, I can even make out the window of my room in Minor.

We fly several miles further before turning back. We fly over the College again, this time heading west, above College Hill Road. Its hill, the downfall of many a jogger, looks like nothing more than a shallow ripple in the landscape. And Bristol Campus Center, one of the tallest buildings on campus, looks like a small box of matches stood on end.

As we turn back north, the Oneida County Airport becomes visible and several miles beyond it, a much larger airport, Griffiss Air Forces Base, which Rob points out.

"You don't want to land over there," he advises. "If you do, you'll be in big trouble."

To the west, Vernon Downs comes into view along with the eastern tip of Oneida Lake.

Even from our low altitude, we can see more than 30 miles on this clear morning.

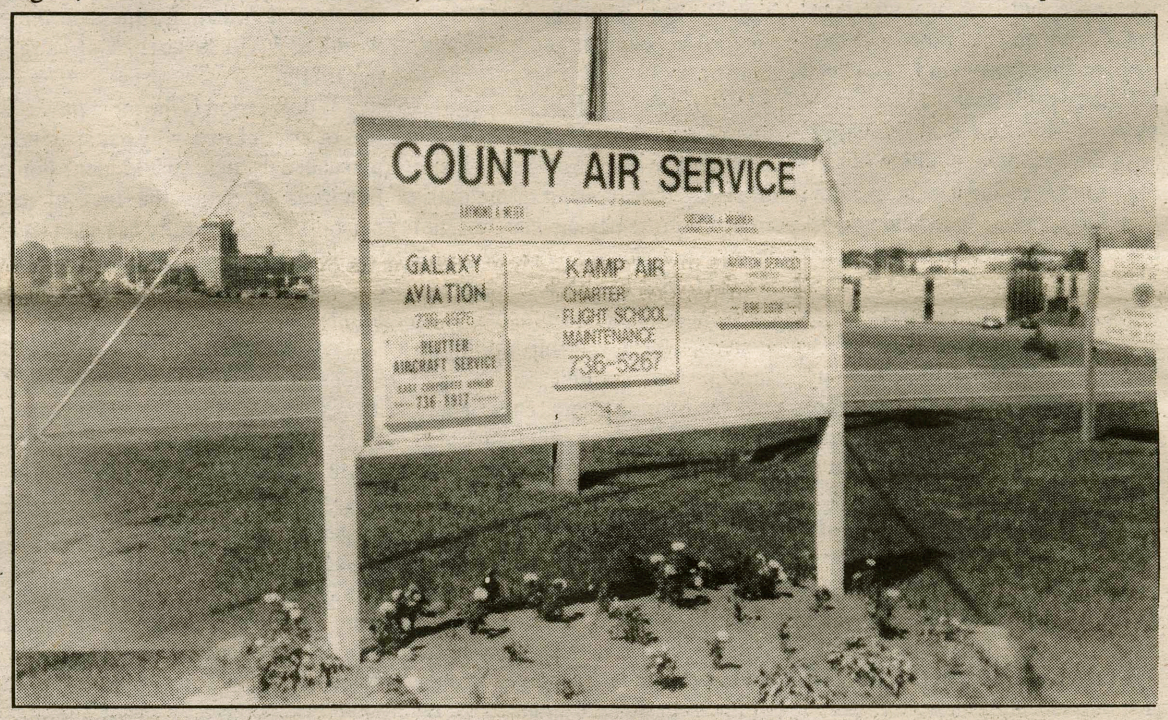
We stay up for another half an hour while I try making some turns, while attempting to coordinate the yoke and rudder pedals.

The time goes by quickly, and soon we make our final approach back into the Oneida County Airport. This landing will be touch and go—as soon as we land, we'll takeoff again without stopping.

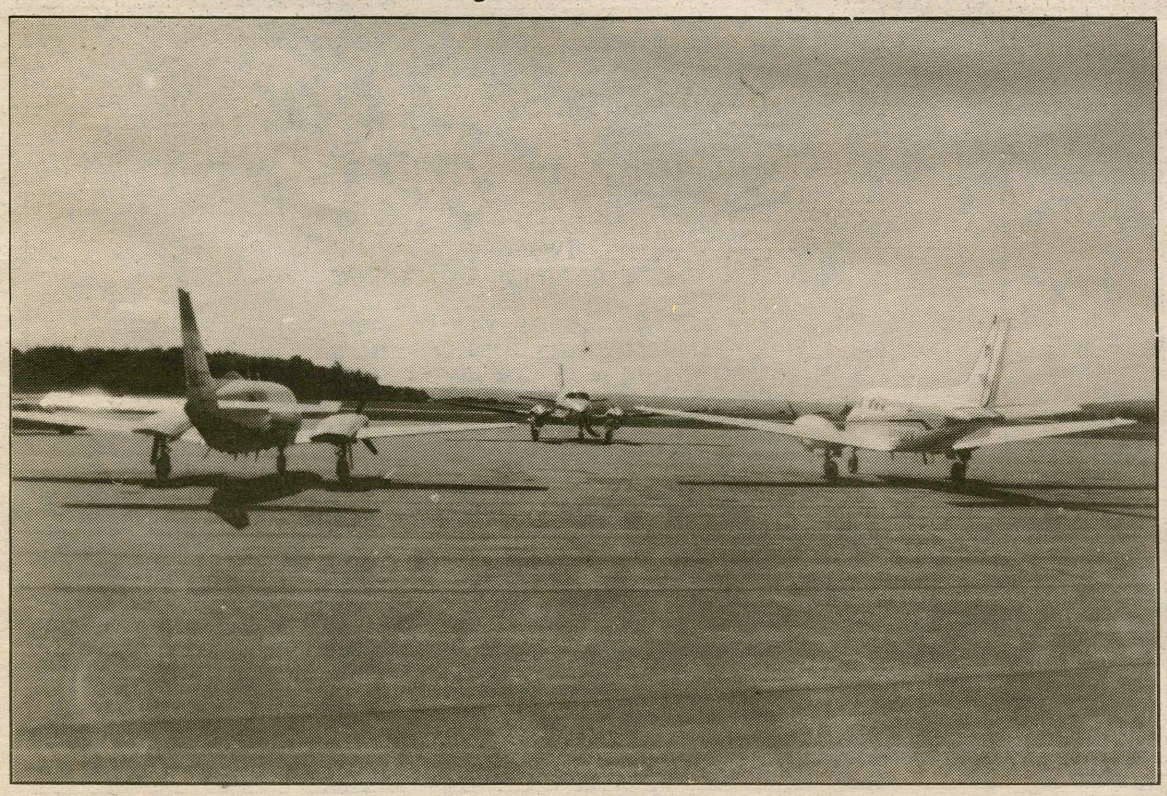
We have a slight crosswind as we descend toward the runway threshold and Rob takes over the controls.

Once we're only a few feet above the runway, I pull back slightly on the yoke as we bleed off speed, until the main landing gear settles onto the pavement. Then it's time to takeoff again. After ten seconds back at full throttle, we're airborne. We do a loop around the airport before landing for a second and last time.

We quickly taxi back to the tarmac area, and then it's over. I have successfully completed my first 50 minutes as a student-pilot.



Meyer's aviation career began just a stone's throw from the passenger terminal at the Oneida County Airport.



Kamp Air Aviation offers lessons from the Oneida County Airport, located 15 minutes away from campus, as well as from Durhamville. Lessons in a Cessna 152, the type of plane I flew, cost $65 an hour. For an additional $15, you can upgrade to four seat aircraft, a Cessna 172, allowing passengers to come along for the ride.

If you intend to get a pilot's license, 40 hours is the minimum number of hours of flight instruction required, though most students need more than 50 before they are certified.

If you are not certain about flying, or want to take a lesson for the novelty of the experience, Kamp Air also offers a shorter introductory lesson for $35.

For those with a pilot's license, Kamp Air rents aircraft beginning at $45 an hour for the Cessna 152, ranging up to $65 an hour for a Grumman Tiger.

For further information, call Kamp Air at (315) 736-5267.

The do's and don'ts of dental dams

Important information regarding the prevention of STD's

By Diann Lynch
R.N.C.

By now it should be common knowledge that every time you have sex, you should be using a latex barrier to protect yourself against sexually transmitted diseases including Hepatitis B and HIV. To most people, this simply means using a condom. And that it what you should be doing if the sex you are having involves a penis.

What most people don't think about is using a latex barrier when engaging in oral-vaginal or oral-anal sex. Sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV and Hepatitis B, can be spread through oral sex and it is important that you know how to protect yourself during these sexual acts.

There are several types of barriers available to use, all providing a square barrier that is used to cover the vagina or rectum. One of the most common barriers available is a dental dam. This is usually a five inch square of thin latex. Many people complain that the dams are not large enough and not very pliable. Dental dams can also be expensive. The Health Center has dental dams available free of charge upon request

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Some individuals use saran wrap or Glad Wrap as a barrier. The advantage of this product is that you can make it as large as you want and it is more pliable than the dental dams. The disadvantage is that no one is sure if a single layer gives you adequate protection. You definitely should NOT use microwavable plastic wrap because it is more porous.

Condoms can also be used by cutting them open lenghtwise to make a square. The advantage is they are probably the most accessible item at any given time. The disadvantage is that they are not all that large when cut open, and they probably are lubricated with a spermacide that you don't want to have oral contact with.

The easiest barrier is a plain, non-powdered latex glove with the fingers cut off and cut open. This gives you a square barrier with protective cover for the tongue (the thumb of the glove). They are also available with instructions in the waiting room of the Health Center.

The important thing to remember is that you need to use protective barriers with all sexual acts. The professional staff of the Health Center is available to discuss different opinions with you and your partner and help you identify and adopt safe sex practices.

De-stigmatizing depression in society

By Marie Folllayttar '98
FEATURES EDITOR

Recently in classes I have noticed off- hand remarks that exhibit ignorance and lack of understanding. Comments like, "because he'd be in an insane asylum," "you want to let the world know you're a schizophrenic," and "she's so depressed" with the nonverbal addition of rolling of the eyes and a sarcastic tone, may seem casual and standard. After all, everyone makes fun of the unknown, and to many their conceptions of mental illness are limited to casual banter like the previous statements. We, as a society, are not to blame for our ignorance on this subject. But it is our society which has created our impressions on mental illness.

Our society misuses the word depressed. If being depressed is isolated in teenage language like "I'm so depressed" with the reasoning behind this is that the girl's boyfriend of two years cancelled their plans, we devalue society's conception of depression as a severe mental illness.

The classical definition of depression is "anger turned upon thyself." Today, Harvard Medical School defines it as "misery requiring treatment."

Depression affects the functioning of the brain. It can reveal itself in many different ways. The victim may have trouble sleeping, or sleep too much, a person might overindulge in food, or not eat at all. The individual might also show a lack of interest in activities and life in general.

Because many of the obvious symptoms are physical, depression can often be passed off as the result of stress, lack of sleep or malnutrition. Often a person has suffered from depression for a long period of time before actually being diagnosed. In the interim, the sufferer has questioned her/his own sanity, ability to function and worthiness.

Depression's inherent connection with physical symptoms also engenders societal misconceptions. Physical problems seem relatively easy to solve, and society always has to solve something. However, what many never seem to understand is that physical and mental aspects of your body are intrinsically intertwined. Often if a person is ill, they are under an intense amount of stress.

On the other side of depression are the mental problems that are induced. A person will have difficulty finishing a task or even doing a project. One might be unable to concentrate. Little tasks like doing the laundry will suddenly become as difficult as solving world peace. This illness is not isolated to a certain type of individual. No matter how astute, how intelligent that person is, she/he is powerless at preventing the onslaught of the illness. Depression is the most dominating illness in the world, and will strike 20% of us in our lifetime.

If depression is the most prevalent of all illnesses, why has society persuaded us to keep it hidden? For hundreds of years the loss of a person's critical faculty has been taboo in our society. Ironically, some of the world's most famous luminaries have been depressed.

Abraham Lincoln, one of the United States' foremost leaders was depressed and often thought of suicide. William Shakespeare, the world's finest playwright was depressed. Percy Bysshe Shelley, a master of poetic language was depressed. Galileo was also depressed.

These names are random samples of the many who suffered from this devastating disease. But when television and people isolate mental illness to a group of unproductive crazies, people are hesitant to publicly join the illustrious ranks. Also, medical insurance does not cover the entire cost of psychological therapy forcing sufferers to limit the very treatment that would help them recover and survive.

With these societal weights against depressed victims, how then, can one want to enter society? Society teaches victims to shame an illness that they cannot control or help. Because of this, their shame overrides their ability to fight back. Day by day, year by year, it becomes harder for a victim to rebound. Explaining a few years absence from the mainstream is a feat, but explaining it in terms of mental illness and the prejudice encountered is paralyzing.

Depression should be treated with the same empathy and concern as cancer or diabetes. People affected with such ills should be able to openly proclaim their illness, rather than having to shield the truth from friends and employers for fear of scorn. Patients with "acceptable" diseases are offered support, medical benefits and dedicated funded research. People with depression are offered prejudice, institutionalization, lifetime caps on medical benefits, and shame.

These problems can begin to be conquered if little by little (sort of like a political grass roots movement) we begin to change misconceptions. It all starts with saying "I'm feeling sad," and not "I'm so depressed." Depression is not something to de-emphasize.

In last week's issue, Mark Moldenhaur's class year was incorrect. He is a member of the Class of 1997.

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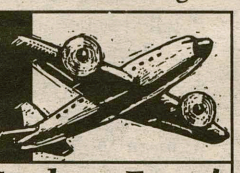

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Learning to manage time properly

Or, how to avoid that desperate feeling at finals

By Mark Thompson
PEER ADVISING COORDINATOR

We're in the early stages of this new semester. Your professors may have shifted to a higher gear than last week. But, as the academic demands begin to build, you may still be "cutting yourself some slack" by putting off the start of that paper due a month from now, or cutting corners on all the reading for your survey course.

Maybe you've even missed a class because you failed to complete the assignment on time. After all, there's so much to do; you're reconnecting with friends after a summer apart, attending that great party, or getting back into shape for the upcoming season. Well, it is important to realize that some of the habits you establish now will either help or hinder your efforts for the entire semester.

Attempting to establish good time management skills once you feel overwhelmed is a little bit like closing the barn door once the horse is out. Too often, the best outcome we can hope for upon reaching that sinking feeling is merely to "get through."

If this sounds like an all-too-familiar scenario, you probably also remember the sense of dissatisfaction that accompanies the "surviving" of such a semester.

"I won't do that to myself again," may ring familiar in your ears. To state the obvious, the best time to deal with time management issues is early, before things get out of hand. To avoid that overwhelmed feeling come December, THIS is the time for effective time management.

Dr. Paul Grayson of Wesleyan University states, "no other environment—not high school beforehand or the conventional workplace or even graduate school afterwards—possesses quite the same challenging set of conditions as the undergraduate experience." (Smith and Smith, 1988.) He points to a combination of significant unstructured time and the typical lack of time management skill to account for this fact.

It's easy to waste time. We all do it. Some "excuses" for wasting time present themselves from outside ourselves, some from within. Visitors to our rooms can easily disrupt the best laid plans for completing work. The telephone call from your boyfriend, girlfriend, family member, or just about anyone almost always delays that trip to the library. The loud stereo down the hall, the nasty (and intriguing) roommate dispute in the room next door, or *Melrose Place* on the tube in the lounge can also keep us from the task at hand.

Maybe our excuses are self-generated: a messy room, not having the necessary materials (books, assignment directions), or our tendency to procrastinate. Others may include being physically tired, a lack of interest in the project, or perfectionism.

Whatever your poison, knowing how to keep yourself from efficiently wasting time is the best place to start. Smith and Smith (1988) suggest several ways to make good use of your time:

—Spend time on each subject every day (or at least every other day).

"Research on learning has shown that more learning occurs when a student studies one hour a day for five straight days rather than eight hours all on Saturday or Sunday" (p.38).

— Study your most challenging courses during the day. We often feel relieved when the most difficult work is completed. This allows us to move more easily on to the less difficult work. And, we're generally more productive during the daytime hours.

—Use time between classes. If you have a free hour between your 9:00 and 11:00 classes, consider going to the library or a quiet lounge to read rather than the Village to meet friends for coffee.

—Spend study time reviewing your notes from class. This overlooked method of studying on a daily basis serves as one of the best ways for retaining material for that exam several weeks from now.

—Difficult reading should be tackled during the day or early evening. Plan for breaks. Since we know most people aren't capable of concentrating fully for more than 30 minutes at a time, trying to sit for two or three hours is unrealistic.

—Establishing a regular schedule for eating (nutritious) meals, sleeping (college students are notorious for sleep irregularities), and exercise keeps us prepared for more effective use of our time.

—Choose a place to work that's conducive to study/reading/writing. Your room may not be the ideal spot to write your term paper if the distractions are frequent and hard to resist.

While your room may be suitable for "light" reading, consider using the library or a vacant classroom when you have a substantial amount of work ahead.

—Don't over extend yourself. Once you've committed yourself to an excessive number of activities, its often hard to pull back. Consider starting small and gradually adding activities until you have achieved a manageable balance between academics and activities.

—Schedule your time. Consider mapping out your week in advance. With 168 hours in the week, after subtracting sleep (8 hours/day), classes, and the associated work (4 course schedule with 2 hours of homework for every one hour class), meals (1 hour/meal, three meals a day), and music/theatre/ athletic practice (3 hours /day for 6 days), you STILL have 37 hours remaining to socialize, get dressed, bathe, listen to music , and watch TV.

In reviewing their actual use of time, many find they waste incredible numbers of hours on frivolous things. If you find yourself at this end of the spectrum, maybe you should try formulating a rough, written schedule of your time to help guide you.

Will Rogers once said, "Even if you are on the right track, you'll get run over if you just sit there." Now's the time for time management.

Source: Smith, Sandra and Smith, Christopher. The College Student's Health Guide, *Westchester Publishing Co: Los Altos, CA. 1988.*

This Week in Hamilton History

Sixty Years Ago

Registration for the academic year 1933-34 reached an all-time high of 469 students. Eighty students registered as members of the senior class, 89 in the Junior class, 140 in the Sophomore class and 160 in the Freshman class. Most of the men who enrolled were from public high schools rather than preparatory schools.

Fifteen Years Ago

Many Hamiltonians attended a speech given by singer Anita Bryant as she addressed the Northeastern Right to Life Congress in the Utica Memorial Auditorium. In her speech Bryant stated, " Sometimes God put people on earth to do His work whom others regard as fools. If that's the case, well, I'm God's fool.

Five Years Ago

Students, faculty, and members of the Hamilton College community gathered for the dedication of the Hans H. Schambach center for music and the Performing Arts and the Carol Woodshouse Wellin performance hall. The first concert was given by Grammy Award winning vocalist Bobby McFerrin ("Don't Worry be Happy").

Cat's Cook Corner

Chocolate-Covered Strawberries

Ingredients:
8 ounces milk chocolate squares
8 ounces semisweet chocolate squares
20 ripe strawberries with stems--

I recommend removing any of the bruises, otherwise there will be an unpleasant aftertaste mingling with the ripeness of the berry and the sweetness of the chocolate. Also, strawberries can be substituted with any other fruit.

To start, take both chocolate types, place them in your hot pot and melt them over a low heat. Stir continuously, or else it will burn and create dark, hard lumps. Next, spread out wax paper. When the chocolate is completely melted begin dipping the berries. Cover as much of the strawberry as possible. Leave only the green stem showing. After dipping, place the strawberries on the wax paper. This will allow the chocolate to set. Then you should serve immediately. If you are a real chocolate fan, I recommend double or even triple your dipping your strawberries.

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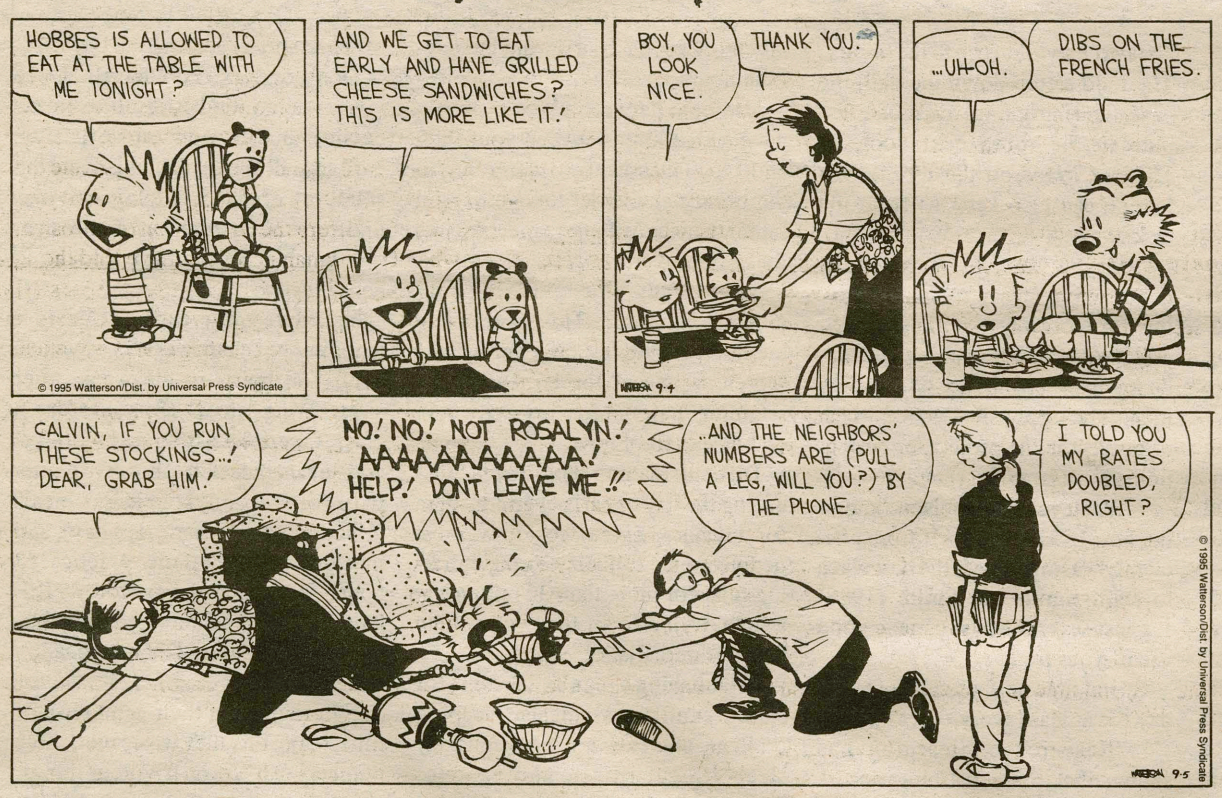
Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson


HOBBES IS ALLOWED TO EAT AT THE TABLE WITH ME TONIGHT?
AND WE GET TO EAT EARLY AND HAVE GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICHES? THIS IS MORE LIKE IT.
BOY, YOU LOOK NICE.
THANK YOU.
..UH-OH.
DIBS ON THE FRENCH FRIES.
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CALVIN, IF YOU RUN THESE STOCKINGS..! DEAR, GRAB HIM.
NO! NO! NOT ROSALYN! AAAAAAAAAAA! HELP! DON'T LEAVE ME!!
..AND THE NEIGHBORS' NUMBERS ARE (PULL A LEG, WILL YOU?) BY THE PHONE.
I TOLD YOU MY RATES DOUBLED, RIGHT?
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OK CALVIN, LISTEN UP.
AAA! NO! I'M NOT GOING TO BED! YOU CAN'T MAKE ME!
YOU AND I ARE GOING TO MAKE A DEAL.
A DEAL?! WHAT KIND OF DEAL?? I'M NOT MAKING ANY DEAL!
YOU DON'T GIVE ME ANY TROUBLE TONIGHT, AND WE'LL PLAY A GAME.
WHAT'S THE GAME? "KILL THE KID"?! NO WAY!
PLUS, YOU GET TO STAY UP HALF AN HOUR PAST YOUR BEDTIME.
NOTICE HOW OBEDIENTLY I'M SITTING HERE.
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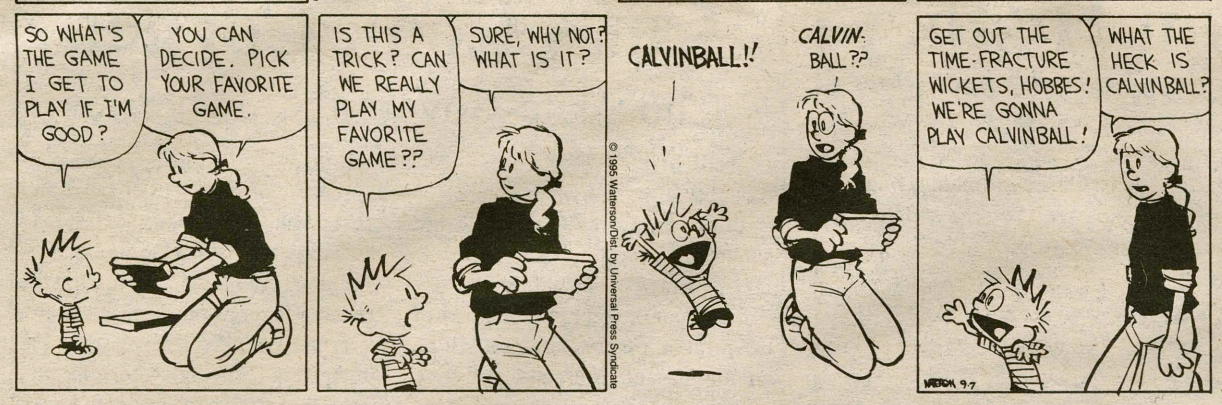
SO WHAT'S THE GAME I GET TO PLAY IF I'M GOOD?
YOU CAN DECIDE. PICK YOUR FAVORITE GAME.
IS THIS A TRICK? CAN WE REALLY PLAY MY FAVORITE GAME??
SURE, WHY NOT? WHAT IS IT?
CALVINBALL!
CALVIN-BALL??
GET OUT THE TIME-FRACTURE WICKETS, HOBBES! WE'RE GONNA PLAY CALVINBALL!
WHAT THE HECK IS CALVINBALL?
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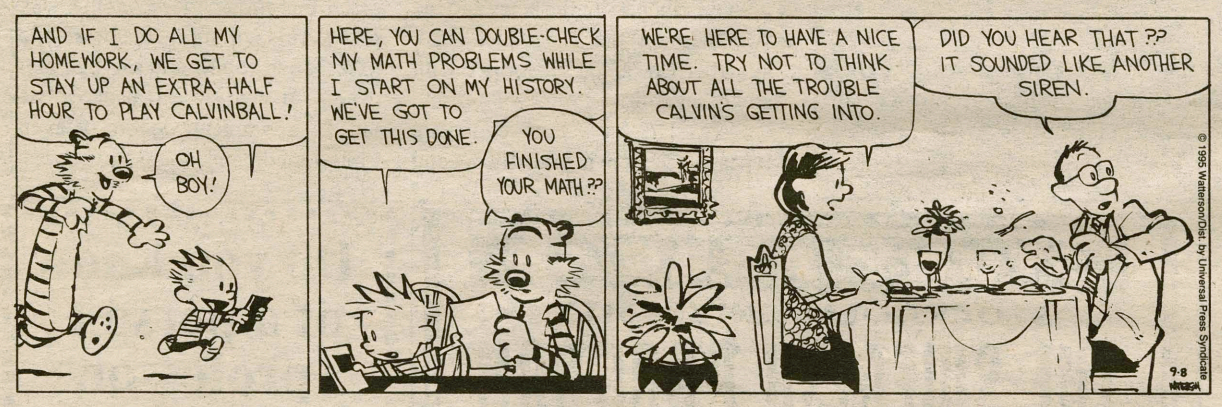
AND IF I DO ALL MY HOMEWORK, WE GET TO STAY UP AN EXTRA HALF HOUR TO PLAY CALVINBALL!
OH BOY!
HERE, YOU CAN DOUBLE-CHECK MY MATH PROBLEMS WHILE I START ON MY HISTORY. WE'VE GOT TO GET THIS DONE.
YOU FINISHED YOUR MATH??
WE'RE HERE TO HAVE A NICE TIME. TRY NOT TO THINK ABOUT ALL THE TROUBLE CALVIN'S GETTING INTO.
DID YOU HEAR THAT?? IT SOUNDED LIKE ANOTHER SIREN.
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I FINISHED ALL MY HOMEWORK, JUST LIKE YOU SAID TO, ROSALYN.
GREAT. ARE YOU READY TO PLAY YOUR GAME THEN?
FIRST WE NEED TO MAKE YOU A MASK.
A MASK? WHAT FOR?
WHEN YOU PLAY CALVINBALL, YOU WEAR A MASK.
WHY?
SORRY, NO ONE'S ALLOWED TO QUESTION THE MASKS.
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Quotable Quotes

By Missy Wiechmann '97

"I don't like them. I always get them too wet and when I suck on them nothing comes out!"

- Brooke Cobb '97 on pixie sticks--maybe you should try a new technique.

" I told someone last night that Ken Picarello was really sexy. I just hope it wasn't him!"

-Anonymous junior female. Sure, just have another beer.

"Aren't we the Hamilton Minutemen?"

-Marie Bishko '96 on our school mascot --maybe in your experience!"

"Jesse Helms is all right-- if you're a racist tobacco farmer!"

-Nick Ward '98 During a brief discussion of censorship while in line at the bookstore.

"It's not how far you spread your legs, it's how far you push your chest."

-Suzie Paul '96 on stretching-if you could only hear what else comes out of her mouth at rugby practice.

" I need something good and long to procrastinate with!"

-Katy Milmoe '99 . I'm sure if you look hard enough you'll find something.

Send your quotables to *The Spectator* via campus mail.

America's decision to drop the atomic bomb on Japan, Reflecting upon our actions and their rationale fifty year later

Professor Maurice Isserman

Guest Columnist

Parade magazine's cover story for Sunday, July 30, 1995, featured a full page photograph of 75-year-old retired Air Force Major General Chuck Sweeney in the cockpit of a vintage B-29 bomber, nicknamed "Bock's Car." On August 9, 1945, as a young Army Air Force officer, Sweeney piloted "Bock's Car" on a mission over Japan. Unable to reach his primary target because of dense cloud cover, Sweeney flew on to his alternate target, the city of Nagasaki. There he dropped the second — and to this day, final — atomic bomb used to destroy a city and its inhabitants. Fifty thousand people died that day in Nagasaki. The article in *Parade* noted:

It is difficult for Sweeney...to comprehend the allegations by some historians that Japan would have surrendered without this effort, embodied in the recent controversy over the Smithsonian Institution's now drastically scaled-back atomic bomb exhibit....When asked about the exhibit, Sweeney [said]: 'I don't need some '60s-type radical professor poisoning the minds of our kids about how terrible America was. Did any of these historians have the strength to make the decision that Truman had to make?'

Well, hmmm, okay. I have the uncomfortable feeling that General Sweeney had people like me in mind. By generational cohort, and by political inclination, I am what I suppose he thinks of as a "60's type radical professor."

General Sweeney's comments suggest an understandable concern with how his role in the Second World War will be remembered on this fiftieth anniversary of the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. They also suggest, however, that he has enlisted in a new war, the so-called "cultural war" that has divided Americans since the 1960s over a range of political and moral issues. The ferocious debate that led to the scuttling of the proposed Smithsonian "Enola Gay" exhibit — an exhibit which raised questions about the decision to use the atomic bomb on Japanese cities in 1945 — cannot be understood outside the context of those post-60's arguments — and the partisan ambitions of some of our most prominent politicians. Consider the comments on the Smithsonian exhibit by Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich. Gingrich, a one-time historian has expressed nostalgia for the days when Parson Weems' cheerfully uplifting fabrications (the story of George Washington and the cherry tree was among Weems' more durable inventions) were the "politically correct" thing to teach in the nation's schools. But for historians and museum curators to presume to question the use of the atom bomb, Gingrich declared, amounts to an "anti-American" abomination reflecting the "pressure in the elite intelligentsia to...despise American culture, to rewrite history and to espouse a set of values which are essentially destructive."

With all due respect to General Sweeney (and none at all to Newt Gingrich), I think this viewpoint is mistaken. Questioning the use of the atomic bomb is not a recent innovation, nor have such questions been restricted to the radical left, nor do they betray an anti-American animus.

The truth is that questions about the use of the bomb emerged <u>even before</u> it was dropped — and from people who could hardly be accused of unpatriotic sentiments. When General Dwight D. Eisenhower, supreme commander of Allied forces in Europe during the Second World War, was informed in July 1945 of plans to use the atom bomb against Japan, he told U.S. Secretary of War Henry Stimson that he hoped "such a thing" would not happen because "I disliked seeing the United States take the lead in introducing into war something as horrible and destructive as this new weapon." Of course in wartime moral scruples tend to be shoved aside by military necessity. If the only alternative to dropping the bomb was a bloody land invasion of Japan, it could be argued that President Truman made the appropriate decision. Yet in 1946 the official U.S. Strategic Bombing Survey, which was established to measure the impact of the American air war both in Europe and in the Pacific, concluded that "certainly prior to 31 December 1945, and in all probability prior to 1 November 1945 [the date that US military planners had set for the invasion of southern Japan] Japan would have surrendered even if the atomic bombs had not been dropped..."

Forgive me if I conclude with an autobiographical note, but it's hard to avoid doing so. Being only a few years younger than the atom bomb, I feel as if we've grown up together: not exactly as good friends, but at least warily intimate acquaintances. And I tend to get a little testy when people question my patriotism. General Sweeney forgets that "the professors" [and others] who came of age in the Sixties were themselves the children of the veterans of the Second World War. My father was a veteran. One of the things I loved to do as a child on rainy days was go up to the attic, and open up the old trunk where my father's uniforms and army kit were stored, and try on his jacket and his overseas cap. In fact when I went off to college in 1968 I wore his military jacket — bedecked with anti-Vietnam war buttons, to be sure, but also with a sense of pride that my father had, in a small way, contributed to the American triumph in the Second World War. For me the Second World War was — and remains today — the "Good War" fought in self-defense against aggressors who represented an enormous evil that could not be allowed to triumph in the world.

But (sorry Newt Gingrich) American historians bear the responsibility to do more than just celebrate the just causes with which the nation has been associated with in the past. When the Nazis launched the Second World War in 1939, President Franklin Roosevelt declared:

The ruthless bombing from the air of civilians in unfortified centers of population during the course of the hostilities which have raged in various quarters of the earth during the past few years, which has resulted in the maiming and the death of thousands of defenseless men, women and children, has sickened the hearts of every civilized man and woman, and has profoundly shocked the conscience of humanity.

The bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, where the overwhelming majority of victims were just such defenseless men, women and children, came less than six years later. Roosevelt authorized the development of the atomic bomb; his successor, Harry Truman, gave the order to use it. And yet Truman found it difficult to admit to himself just what he was about to unleash on the people of Japan. Writing in his private diary on July 25, 1945, less than two weeks before the destruction of Hiroshima, Truman noted: "I have told the Sec. of War, Mr. Stimson, to use it so that military objectives and soldiers and sailor are the target and not women and children...."

Wars have their own logic. After devoting a lifetime to studying the American civil war, historian Bruce Catton concluded:

A singular fact about modern war is that it takes charge. Once begun it has to be carried to its conclusion, and carrying it there sets in motion events that may be beyond men's control. Doing what has to be done to win, men perform acts that alter the very soil in which society's roots are nourished.

The point of asking tough and uncomfortable questions about the decision to destroy Hiroshima and Nagasaki is not to denigrate the sacrifices of brave soldiers like General Sweeney, nor is it to underestimate the difficult wartime choices faced by political leaders like Harry Truman. The point is to understand how a half century ago this past summer, in the waning days of the "Good War," the leaders of the United States came to a decision that they themselves only a few years earlier would have found unimaginable.

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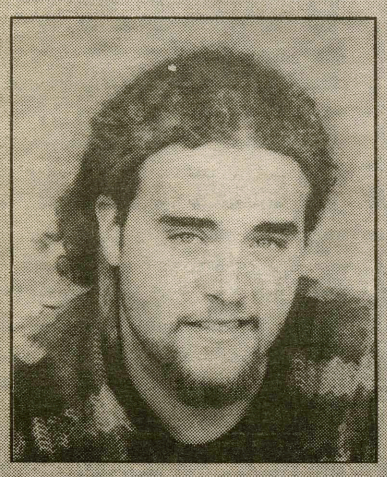
VOICEBOX

photos by Nathaniel Schutz '96

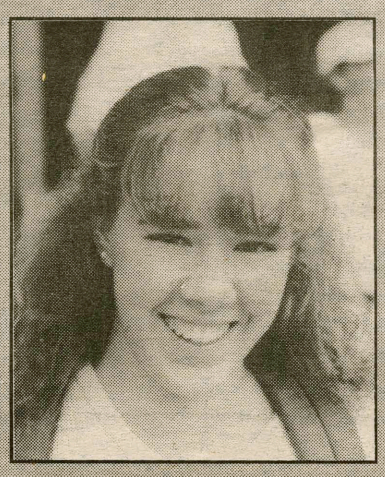
What do you think about the increase in students with dyed hair?

"I favor the way far-out colors like green or blue."
Caitlin E. Wade '98

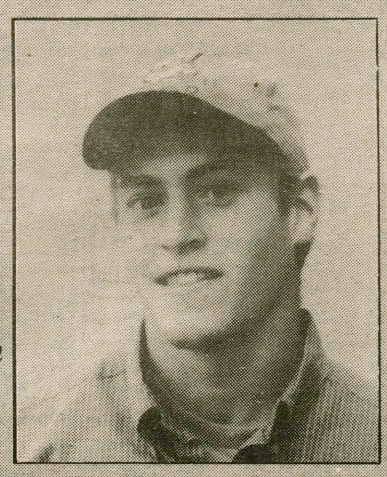
"Jeeps, vests, white hats, dyed hair— it's all a big fad."
Dan Roberts '97



"I like it. I'm going mauve."
Mark Mijangos '97



"I've never really thought about dyed hair. I like natural hair color."
Genella Barton '97



"It sucks."
Michael Kelly '98

EDITORIAL

The need for leaders

Those who are not reading this newspaper for the first time may find the leadership theme of this editorial familiar.

Members of the Class of 1999 may have been surprised when they recently discovered that many of more than 50 clubs on this campus are run by the same individuals. Meanwhile, several other clubs have ceased to exist in recent years because of a lack of interest. The Hamilton Democrats have existed in name only since the 1992 elections, and student-run publications including *Pygmalion* and *Discourse* lack editors. The Publications Board continues to search for additional at-large members and Student Assembly elections often do not attract more than a handful of candidates. For the ambitious student, golden opportunities await.

Students involved in one organization are likely to belong to many. Case in point: *The Spectator's* staff includes the General Manager and Business Manager of Hamilton's radio station WHCL, an Honor Court Representative, Student Assembly Representatives, the President of Hamilton's Hillel organization, the Vice President of The Think Tank, the Intramural Sports Commissioner, as well as numerous members of sports teams, musical groups, and other student-run clubs. Yet, our staff represents a mere two percent of Hamilton's student body.

There appears to be a constant pattern in which a small number of students do the work of many and clubs face a constant battle to find members. This should not be the case. We have the opportunity to attend a small college where it is easy to become involved in a wide variety of activities. Unlike larger schools, where there may be intense competition for a relatively small number of leadership positions, this situation does not exist at Hamilton and nor should it. At the same time, it is a shame to see leadership positions go unfilled. The learning experiences they provide cannot be had in any class, and are difficult to obtain after college.

Members of the Class of 1999 should note that taking even a small level of initiative on the Hamilton campus can lead to positions and opportunities they may never have imagined possible. There are few finer breeding grounds for future leaders than the campus of a small liberal arts college. All students should take advantage of this fact during their years at Hamilton, and no one should forget that leadership positions, despite the hard work they entail, can be extremely rewarding.

Initiative is the difference between an active student body and a stagnant one. The payoff for initiative here is higher than nearly anywhere else. As the leaders of most student-run organizations will attest, ambitious students at Hamilton College are not ignored, but rather, richly rewarded.

QUESTION: WHAT DO YOU THINK OF HAMILTON'S NEW RANKING IN The US news & world report.?
It's wonderful!
No comment. Gotta go.
adidas
Hamilton sucks! The food sucks! The weather sucks! The mail center sucks! ..... er, what was your question again?
where's my beer?
4 kinds of personalities at Hamilton.

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Letters to the Editor

Senior student reflects upon change

To the Editor:

Change. Change seems to be the buzz word for the 1995-1996 school year. Everything on campus is changing, from the food to the social life, from the faculty to the living spaces. Change is affecting every aspect of Hamilton this year except for one thing: commencement. Lets get back to that later.

During my senior year in high school, I came to visit Hamilton. I liked what Hamilton was trying to sell to me. I applied and was accepted; I bought the product. That September, when I arrived at Hamilton, I found that the product I bought had changed. The college decided to change its alcohol policy, which drastically affected the social life on campus and created an atmosphere that was radically different. Every upperclassman I met that year said that Hamilton was much better before the changes and that he or she felt very sorry for the class of '96. However, I was optimistic, and decided to see just how bad it was.

That was three years ago, and during that time I have had a lot of fun. But more change was in store for the class of '96. The residential life decision ensured this year's senior class that we would leave the college the same way that we had entered it: with another year of change. Hamilton has decided to spend millions of dollars to renovate the college, purchase fraternity houses, and move the college into a new era.

Change. So many things have changed in my three (going on four) years at Hamilton. Yet one thing remains the same: graduation. Commencement continues to be held inside the field house, although at one point it was held outdoors. It would be nice to be able to receive my diploma and handshake from President Tobin outside while taking a good look at the beauty and splendor of this college which prides itself on its setting. Instead, I, and the rest of the senior class have to look forward to the dull lighting, steel beams, and cream colored curtains that decorate the field house to receive what may be the most important piece of paper of our lives. What a nice setting.

So, why don't we have graduation outside? Well, we all know, and so soon will the first years, how much it rains at Hamilton. Every group on this campus plans for an indoor rain site when holding an outdoor event. Therefore, it is logical to assume that it might rain during commencement. Since the college has a rain site for commencement, why isn't graduation held outside? Cost. It simply costs a lot to set up for both an outdoor and an indoor graduation and then only use one location. This brings me back to my point about change.

Change has followed the class of '96 since the day we first walked on this campus, but it won't follow us as we walk on that stage and receive the fruits of our four years of labor and patience. Graduation is supposed to be a positive day, but I don't know how positive I can feel, knowing that the class of '96 has been on the forefront of the most historic changes in this college's history. We have been asked to accept these changes, even though the college we attend today is not the college at which we all thought we were going to enjoy four years. It seems to me that the college can afford to spend the money on an outdoor graduation if they are spending millions to enter a new era. And it would be nice for Hamilton to let the class of '96 know that they appreciate our patience by providing us with the ability to see the beauty and splendor of our new institution as we receive our diplomas and enter the ranks of Hamilton Alumni. It just might also help us to contribute some money as well.

Andy Singer '96

The new Hamilton is not all it's cooked up to be

The in-look at last year's alumni events were white T-shirts sporting the slogan "I went to Hamilton before it sucked." While those shirts bore a certain degree of legitimacy, over the past two weeks, it has become apparent that if changes are not made, the worst is yet to come. So, this week I've dedicated my column space to discussing five clutch errors at Hamilton in '95. I bypassed over minor qualms like the fact that the residence hall formerly known as TDX strangely resembles Dunham. Another bone to pick lies with that so-called piece of artwork in front of CJ. My first impulse is to describe it as an odd cross between Tetris and acid, but upon further evaluation, I prefer to simply label the piece as "an eyesore." Anyway, onto my complaints:

Ben Mintz
Grey Matters

1) Food - Bon Appetit started the year off very well, however the quality of food has gone downhill ever since. To begin with, eating over the past month has been like a giant round of musical chairs. I suspect, however, that around the second day of the semester they realized that the seating was already inadequate, so in lieu of chairs the service began to remove other items. First, it was the ice, then the salad bar reverted from field greens back to iceberg lettuce, and then came the entire "View of the World" fiasco. The area should be more aptly called "View of the Salad" since that is what is served more often than the "*variety* of ethnic cuisine using authentic ingredients and preparation treats" promised in the eye catching four-color brochures the service went through such pains to distribute. Furthermore, the few things that Hallmark did right have been discontinued; the bag lunch no longer exists and one can no longer get regular ice cream in Commons. I love fro-yo and the Common Lunch as much as the next guy, but it would be nice to have the ice cream option, not to mention a bag lunch for days when I have class from 11 until 2 o'clock, a lot of work, or just need to eat on the run.

In all fairness, I do realize Bon Appetit is not to blame for all the shortcomings in my dining experience, which is why I've written this second paragraph about problems that are still significant, but may be the fault of the school. The most pressing question on my mind is, "Whose misdirected energy resulted in an increase in the number of people eating in the dining halls and a decrease in the number of dining halls?" The novelty of waiting 20 minutes before I can enter Commons, get my food, and find a table quickly expired. In addition, the initial stage of this frustrating drill which entails standing in a line that stretches out onto the quad, will be extremely unpleasant during the harsh Hamilton winter.

2) Shoddy Construction and Design - The College has been patting itself on the back for completing the new dorms in time for this semester. Unfortunately, the two largest products of the hasty work were picket lines forming at the construction sites throughout the summer and poorly designed and constructed residences. The latter problem is evident not only in Saunders House and 3950 College Hill Road, but can also be seen in Carnegie and South which were renovated just a few years ago. Take, for example, the kitchen of the Saunders House; it has one refrigerator and stove for 18 students who are expected to cook their own dinner and breakfast on a daily basis. The entire kitchen is poorly constructed as illustrated by the dishwasher which is not even framed in. The rooms themselves have walls of low grade sheetrock which has the distinct quality of thinness and affords no privacy. Yet, perhaps a larger problem which can be seen in all four of the aforementioned dorms is that of poor lighting; the fluorescent desk lamps are more powerful than the one small, directional high hat light provided for the entire room. In my two years in Carnegie and South, I've witnessed several examples of poor craftsmanship, be it my closet door (or more to the point the two- inch gap between the door and the floor) or the toilets that after two years of repairs still break on a regular basis. Don't misinterpret me, the new residences are still superb places to live, much nicer than most on our campus, but if you're going to sink so much money into renovations, do them properly.

3) The Social Scene at Hamilton '95 (or lack there of) - enough said

4) The Bookstore - Simply put, our bookstore gets the job done , but could use some work. Its prices (specifically on items other than books) are not competitive with those of other schools of our size. Not to mention, the prices we are offered when selling back our books are an affront considering their original price and the amount of time during which we own them. On the topic of time, I've had several classes for which the books were not in stock on time. This results is a confusing reorganization of the syllabus or worse yet, hours of reserve reading during which I fight off the urge to pass out in the brown-comfy chairs. Lastly, the help is often condescending, acting as if they are doing me a favor by helping me or allowing me to use my Al-Ham card. I've been informed that the oh-so powerful Student Assembly has formed a committee to investigate the store, and I'm anxiously awaiting the results. However I must resist the urge to delve into greater detail on the matter considering my roommate is chairing the very same committee.

5) Optimists - I've noticed that in the past, whenever students have monopolized *Spectator* space for the sole purpose of bitching about the school (as I did this week), the student body reacts with a torrent of letters complaining about complaining and urging others to "look for the positive, not the negative." While this attitude is a respected one on our campus, in most places it is called denial and if problems are ignored long enough, they fester and become worse. I encourage people to be involved and work to correct illdoings about campus. More importantly, however, I applaud and respect even more those who raise the issues to get the proverbial ball rolling. After all, diagnosing a disease is the first step to curing it.

Letters to the Editor

Jitney service asks for patience

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter in response to the letter written by the first year student who "scorned the Jitney." The Jitney service does not run itself. There is a student who is in charge of the Jitney schedule and she is doing a pretty good job.

The start of the semester is a very busy time for all of us. These first few weeks have been especially difficult with all the changes that have been made on campus. The point is, don't let one bad experience sour your outlook. The next time something goes wrong instead of complaining, try to find out what the problem is and see if you can make a positive difference. You will find that there are people out there who are working really hard to make things run smoothly for the rest of us. These people, especially the students in charge of the Jitney service, do not deserve to be insulted or personally attacked.

Naomi Brown '96

ISC announces changed policies

To the Editor:

This Sunday the Inter—Society Council voted on a major policy change. While the motion was the topic of debate, and met with some opposition, it passed. As of Monday, September 11, 1995 first year students will be allowed to attend sorority and fraternity functions on an unrestricted basis. That is, unlike years past when the first years were not allowed to attend parties and other society functions until after the October break, they will be able to attend any society- hosted event with the same restrictions that apply to all other Hamilton students.

The ISC felt this was consistent with the new vision of Hamilton and felt it was in both the best interests of the community and the society system if we become as unrestricted as possible. While we may continue to host invitation functions as well, we hope that this will help to usher in a new era in Hamilton's social life, as it will not present first year students with an overly restrictive society system.

Rules concerning underage drinking and rush remain the same. Proper identification indicating that students are of legal drinking age is necessary for all students, of any class wishing to consume alcohol. Additionally, rush procedures will not allow for rush to begin until (tentatively) November 1. Rush is defined as any function consisting solely of current and potential members of a private society. However, we are currently ratifying a new constitution and these rules may be subject to change.

Again, the ISC would like to welcome the class of 1999 to the Hill and ask their cooperation in these matters. While you are now able to attend our functions, please bear in mind that proper identification is required for consumption of alcohol. As always, alternative beverage will be provided.

The members of the
Inter—Society Council

Senior Gift Campaign underway

To the Class of '96:

The Senior Gift Campaign is well under way. On September 21, we will be voting to decide what gift we will be presenting to Hamilton in our name. If you want to make sure we don't wind up with another bronze map, you must get involved. Come to one of the three informational meetings scheduled next week which will be hosted by the Senior Gift Vice-Chairs. These meetings will allow a forum for us to discuss gift possibilities and other issues pertaining to the Senior Gift.

Meeting times and places:

Monday, 9/18 - Carnegie Main Lounge at 8:00 p.m. for North Side Seniors

Tuesday, 9/19 - Babbitt Main Lounge at 7:00 p.m. for South Side Seniors

Tuesday, 9/19 - Assembly Room in Bristol at 9:00 p.m. for Off-Campus Seniors

Questions or comments concerning the Senior Gift can be directed to Gift Chair Tabitha Bowling (x1912).

Hope to see you there!!

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Letter and Op-Ed Policy

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1. Submissions are due by 6:00 p.m. the Thursday before publication. Submissions can be sent to *The Spectator* via campus mail or sent to one of the Letters and Op-Ed editors. Submissions can also be placed in the Letters and Op-Ed box outside the Spectator's office on the third floor of the Bristol Campus Center. The editor reserves the right to refuse any late submissions.

2. Letters should be less than 300 words, and the editor reserves the right to edit opinion articles for length. *The Spectator* will also edit for misspellings, typographical errors, poor grammar, as well as diction. If specified, the editor will inform you of the changes. *The Spectator* also reserves the right not to print letters, or opinion pieces. In such cases, the editor will provide the author with the reasons.

3. If the editor determines that a piece may be libelous, or an unwarranted invasion of privacy, then the piece will not be printed. *The Spectator* reserves the right to correct factual inaccuracies or to refuse to print a piece due to factual inaccuracies.

4. The editor also reserves the right to return the piece to be rewritten.

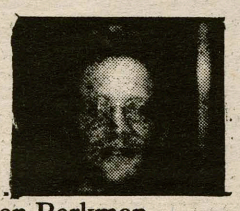
5. If possible, all pieces should be submitted on a Macintosh disk along with a hard copy, but typed letters will also be accepted.

6. No anonymously signed letters will be printed.

Same dog, different fleas: new social policy is ineffective

When our administration made their momentous Residential Life decision this past spring they opened up a can of worms that might take several years to sort out. While it is generally clear that something needed to be done to improve life on this campus, I'm not sure that the discontinuance of privately owned social spaces was the best move. Our campus is now facing many new problems which we, the students, are not yet prepared to deal with. Presently, in order to throw a party, a student organization has to go through bureaucratic channels that are both confusing and time consuming. While the school has drawn up a guide for social planning, it has not yet been made readily available or highly publicized. If a party is to include alcohol, certain liability forms must be signed a specific number of hours prior to the event. These procedures serve to place the student hosts at risk if any kind of alcohol related accident results either at or after the event. While I could go on for pages regarding all the things I find disturbing and unkosher about these newfangled policies, I would rather use this space instead to describe what I think our school needs to do in order to revitalize and improve the social life here.

No matter how any individual feels about fraternal institutions, one thing is clear. There are countless schools in America that have an innovative and exciting social life without them. Because the future of private societies is so uncertain at Hamilton, my plan suspends their discussion.



Ben Berkman
The *Spectrum*

Without fraternities or sororities, many students may wonder what kinds of social options they'd have at a school like this one. Although there is a little town at the bottom of the hill, activity in Clinton is limited to gormandizing in greasy, fly-infested pizza joints or slamming beers with the yokels who frequent several roughneck bars. Our closest city is Utica, and if Hamiltonians who consider it a hotbed of refinement and titillation exist, well, I'm still looking for them to show me the good time I've missed.

Contrary to the belief of many students here, the job of the administration is not to show you a good time. The primary purpose of any prestigious college should be to educate its students in the most proficient manner possible. However, any school which ignores the fact that its students are social creatures is doing them a great disservice. For the past few years this has been the major complaint at Hamilton, and I feel it is justified. During the years in which the social life on campus was distinguished by a powerful and pervasive Greek system, the administration conveniently turned a blind eye to the rampant partying. Their attitude seemed to convey a "out of sight, out of mind" mentality. Now that all functions must take place in campus owned space, the school is still trying to shirk involvement and responsibility.

I resolve that Hamilton should enact a new social policy that fairly meets the needs of all of our students. The most effective way to do this is to retain a sum of roughly one hundred dollars per student per semester that would be kept in a bank account watched over by a student activities committee. Any time students wished to host a party, they would go before the committee to requisition funds. If the committee approved of the event, they would allocate money and determine the best space to be used. As much as possible the committee would attempt to give the space requested but on the occasion that two groups desired the same one, a decision would be made based on the anticipated size of the party and the type of entertainment provided. For example if both Chi Psi and the BLSU asked for Commons but one group planned no entertainment whereas the other wanted a band, the band party would take precedence.

Every party sponsored under this new system would be open to all students free of charge. If alcohol was desired by the hosts of the party, it would have to be served by student bartenders employed by the college. Because these jobs would be both paid and voluntarily filled, student bartenders would sign an affidavit when hired stating that they understood Hamilton's alcohol policy. Thus, liability would only fall to those who desired it.

The job of the administration is not to show you a good time

As long as fraternities and sororities remain on the campus, each society would elect one member to sit on this committee. Every other student organization like La Vanguardia, GLSBA, and the BLSU would also be duly represented for equity. In the event that Hamilton decides to completely eliminate private societies altogether, then the committee's members would switch to being elected by their respective classes. For example the first years would vote on their four members, the sophomores on theirs and so on.

The Student Activities Committee would be presided over by the Director of Student Activities. The director would not vote, but would rather advise the members on school policy and provide suggestions on how to improve their social functions.

The plan is bold in that it calls for broad changes not only in the way we socialize here but in the way we think as well. I realize that at this time my suggestion may be knocked for being far fetched or unfeasible. Yet, many schools akin to Hamilton have been running similar policies and have enjoyed great success with them.

It is my intention to organize the above thoughts into a formal design and bring it to our administration. If anyone in the Hamilton community, students or otherwise, would like to help me or just give an opinion please call me at 853-7120. Let's work together to create a social program characterized by fairness and mutual affability.

The Miss America Pageant, still in the dark ages

Sara E. Falkenberry

Guest Columnist

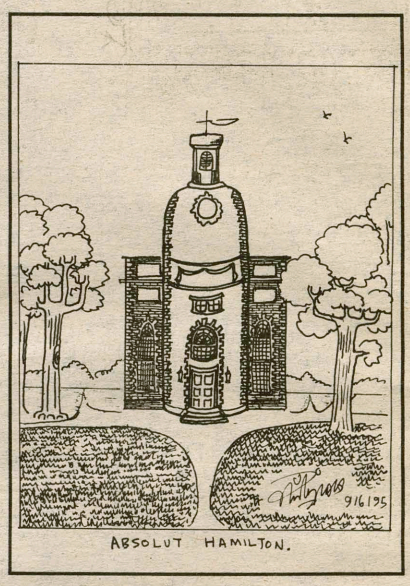
Well, it's that time of year again. Time to pop that popcorn, veg out in front of the television, and place bets on which babe will walk away with the Miss America title. After seventy-five years of the pageant, it seems that although times have changed, they have also stayed the same. One would think, in this time of political correctness, that a contest judging how good women look in swimsuits would be banned. But of course, that is not what the pageant is all about. It promotes the solidarity of women, working against world wide abuse and discrimination. Whoops, my mistake, that was the objective of the United Nation's Fourth World Conference on Women, held in Beijing, China last week.

But how many Americans know the outcome of that conference versus the number of those who will be watching the pageant? I don't even want to know. Sure, the Miss America pageant emphasizes the contestant's dedication to philanthropy, but who listens to those speeches anyway. While Hillary Clinton was speaking out against rape, female infanticide, and economic discrimination, Heather Whitestone, last year's Miss America winner, was trying to "convince more people to drink milk." Maybe Ms. Whitestone should take her campaign to Bosnia where women are being raped and murdered daily.

There has also been a lot of controversy surrounding the pageant in the past few years. In 1984, Vanessa Williams was forced to give up her title after nude photographs from *Playboy* surfaced. This past year, Ms. Virginia was dethroned for lying about her credentials. Currently, Ms. Maryland, Linda Yueh, is suing the state and national pageants for vote rigging. Although there have been many arguments about eligibility in the contest, there has been one controversy that has not yet surfaced: whether the Miss America pageant itself is necessary. This pageant is not made up of glamorous women with Barbie doll figures, so why should appearance count at all? Many of these women are intelligent with legitimate aspirations. Shouldn't the twenty-four million dollars of scholarship money be delegated to motivated women who cannot afford higher education, rather than those who can successfully walk in high heels without looking at the floor?

Some will argue that the pageant is simply a part of America. That in this world of violence and crime, a little wholesome fun doesn't cause any harm. Sure, it's entertaining to watch the "girls" (as they are called by the program's emcees) flaunt their gaudy evening gowns and high hair across the stage once a year, but what message does that send to young women across the nation who are being sexually harassed in their classrooms or work places? To get ahead in this world, must a woman smile and show a little leg? That appearance counts for everything, and merit means nothing? For a country that is supposed to stand for equality and justice for all, we are setting a poor example for the rest of the world. So when you're dialing that 900 number to vote on the swimsuit competition, why not vote for banning the pageant all together.

Correction:
Due to a printing error, the bottom portion of last week's editorial cartoon was cut off. The entire cartoon is pictured here.



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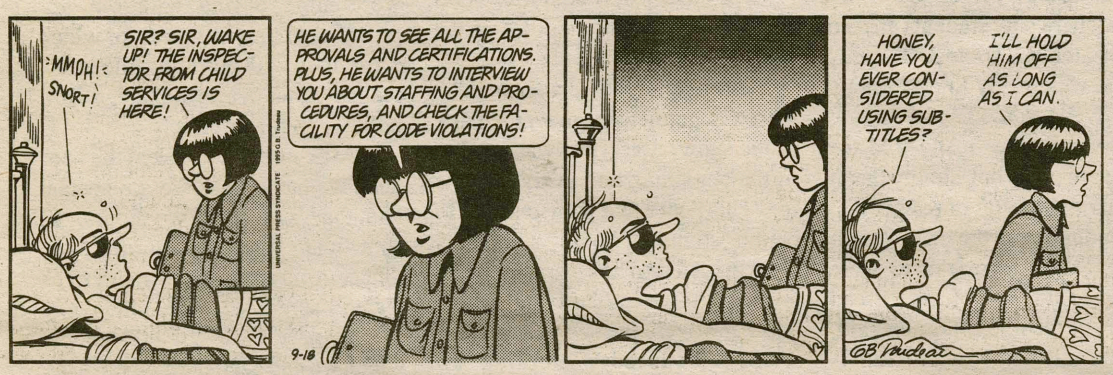
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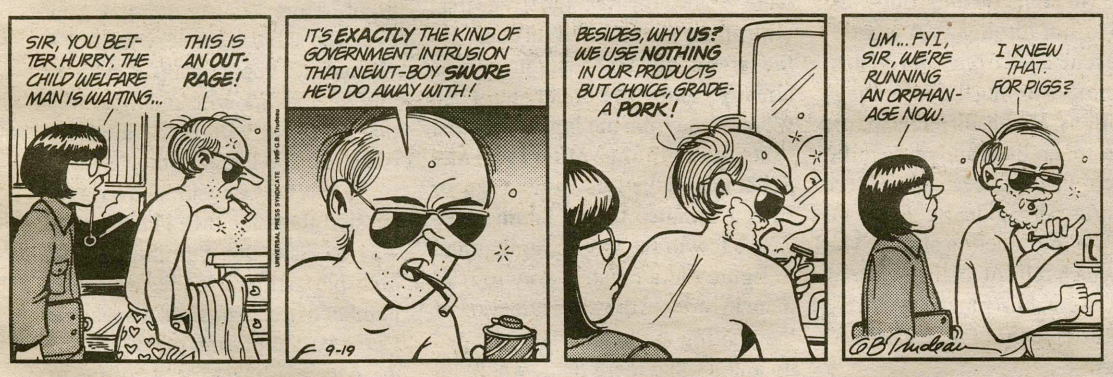
MMPH! SNORT!
HE WANTS TO SEE ALL THE APPROVALS AND CERTIFICATIONS. PLUS, HE WANTS TO INTERVIEW YOU ABOUT STAFFING AND PROCEDURES, AND CHECK THE FACILITY FOR CODE VIOLATIONS!
9-18
HONEY, HAVE YOU EVER CONSIDERED USING SUBTITLES?
I'LL HOLD HIM OFF AS LONG AS I CAN.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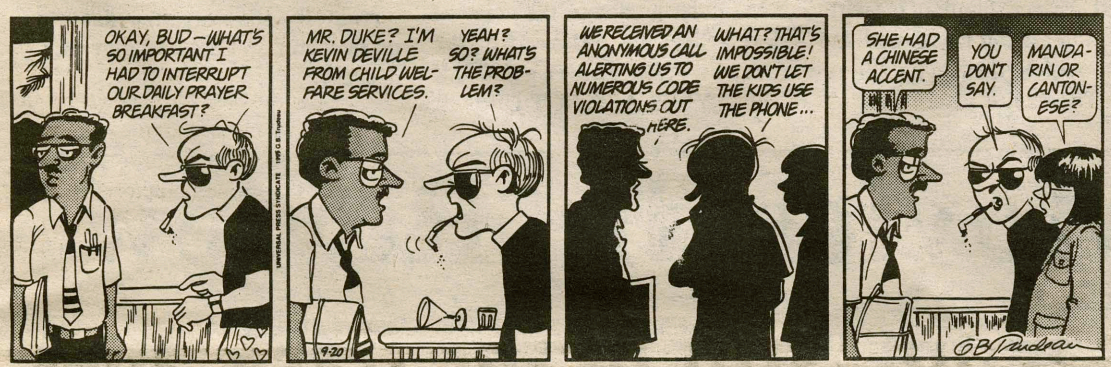
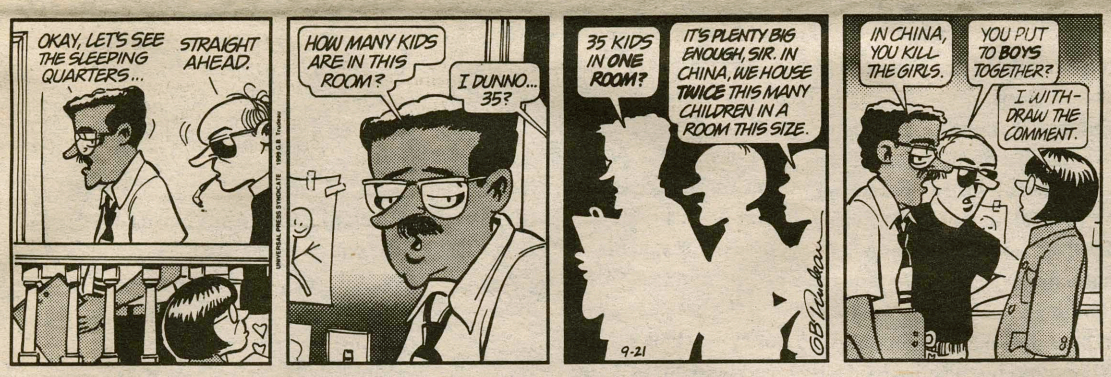
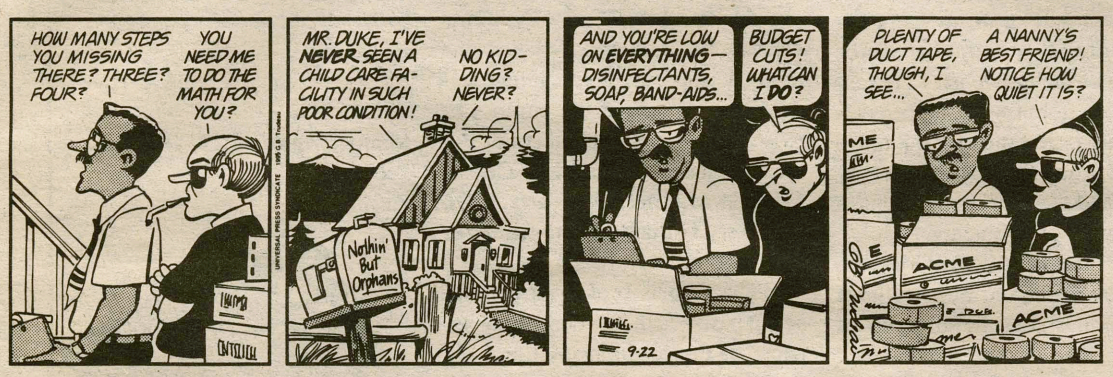
THIS IS AN OUTRAGE!
IT'S EXACTLY THE KIND OF GOVERNMENT INTRUSION THAT NEWT-BOY SWORE HE'D DO AWAY WITH!
9-19
BESIDES, WHY US? WE USE NOTHING IN OUR PRODUCTS BUT CHOICE, GRADE-A PORK!
UM... FYI, SIR, WE'RE RUNNING AN ORPHANAGE NOW.
I KNEW THAT. FOR PIGS?


OKAY, BUD—WHAT'S SO IMPORTANT I HAD TO INTERRUPT OUR DAILY PRAYER BREAKFAST?
MR. DUKE? I'M KEVIN DEVILLE FROM CHILD WELFARE SERVICES.
YEAH? SO? WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?
9-20
WE RECEIVED AN ANONYMOUS CALL ALERTING US TO NUMEROUS CODE VIOLATIONS OUT HERE.
WHAT? THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! WE DON'T LET THE KIDS USE THE PHONE...
SHE HAD A CHINESE ACCENT.
YOU DON'T SAY.
MANDARIN OR CANTONESE?


OKAY, LET'S SEE THE SLEEPING QUARTERS...
STRAIGHT AHEAD.
HOW MANY KIDS ARE IN THIS ROOM?
I DUNNO... 35?
35 KIDS IN ONE ROOM?
IT'S PLENTY BIG ENOUGH, SIR. IN CHINA, WE HOUSE TWICE THIS MANY CHILDREN IN A ROOM THIS SIZE.
9-21
IN CHINA, YOU KILL THE GIRLS.
YOU PUT TO BOYS TOGETHER?
I WITHDRAW THE COMMENT.


HOW MANY STEPS YOU MISSING THERE? THREE? FOUR?
YOU NEED ME TO DO THE MATH FOR YOU?
MR. DUKE, I'VE NEVER SEEN A CHILD CARE FACILITY IN SUCH POOR CONDITION!
NO KIDDING? NEVER?
Nothin' But Orphans
AND YOU'RE LOW ON EVERYTHING—DISINFECTANTS, SOAP, BAND-AIDS...
BUDGET CUTS! WHAT CAN I DO?
9-22
PLENTY OF DUCT TAPE, THOUGH, I SEE...
A NANNY'S BEST FRIEND! NOTICE HOW QUIET IT IS?
ACME

WELL, YOUR BOOKKEEPING IS AS BAD AS EVERYTHING ELSE HERE. WHAT'S THIS BIG CASH DISBURSEMENTS ACCOUNT FOR?
TO MAKE NEW FRIENDS, LIKE YOURSELF, FOR INSTANCE. WE'D LIKE YOU TO BE OUR FRIEND.
OH, REALLY?
9-23
REALLY! TAKE WHATEVER YOU NEED. A GUY ON A GOVERNMENT SALARY COULD PROBABLY USE A FEW EXTRA... EXTRA... UM... WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
I'M ABOUT TO HAVE A REALLY BAD DAY, AREN'T I?
YEAH.
SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

Personals

To My HNC.B.ee-

Wee had a kissee in Beineckee. I lovee you! (Hee-hee.)

-Your turtlee

Kadilly EMM-

You love Foghorn Leghorn and my old roommate. I love Shoehorn Popcorn any you, my other B.F.F.

-Loopy LBPT

My BFF-

I miss you, you live so far away. When can I come out in the hall? Those people are mean.

Love,

Your BFF

Peaches,

Hello Beautiful. I hope that things have improved somewhat since Monday. It makes me so happy that you want my input and ideas it's usually me asking you for assistance. I'm glad I can finally return the favor (although this doesn't amount to what you're truly deserving of.) I miss you. I love you always. See you next weekend gorgeous.

-Muffin

J.Kathryn.H.,

Arghhhh.... 12 months? Happiest twelve consecutive months I can ever remember.... I can only wish for many many more.... I love you.

-Love,

Me

Send your personals to *The Spectator* via campus mail!

Answer to last week's crossword puzzle

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Students star in 'Bread and Puppet Theater'

By Jenna Corwin
A&E writer

On Wednesday night, the Bread and Puppet theater presented their piece, "Mr. Budhoo's Letter of Resignation from the IMF", at Wellin Hall. Walking into the courtyard of McEwen the audience was assaulted by people in suits screaming about the International Monetary Fund.

In the center of the commotion was a large oven assembled from stacked bricks. This oven was used to bake the bread that was served before and after the show. The bread, served with a "mean garlic sauce," was not only used to set an atmosphere, but was supposedly also a part of the philosophy of theater and its director, Peter Schumann. Schumann uses this idea to demonstrate that theater can be more than a framed picture. Amazing, really, how little it takes to feed so many— Could this also be a commentary on the message of the piece itself?

The actual performers in the production were mostly Hamilton students asked to participate by their theater or dance professors. Approximately twenty students arrived in the theater at 7 o'clock Tuesday night and were ready to perform by 7:30 on Wednesday.

We were never really told the "plot" of the piece but simply that it was built on the letter of resignation of Mr. Budhoo from the IMF. Standing there ready to learn what we were supposed to do, one of the "Bread and Puppet people" simply said, "Well, the only way to really learn is to do it. So come on and follow us, we'll do a run-through." A what?!

We rehearsed from 7 to 10 Tuesday evening, learning the basic songs and motions of the different parts. As there are no lines and no specific characters in the piece; there were only chorus parts to learn. First, we learned the introduction story, "The Foot", which tells of a false sense of comfort and stability in the everyday lives of the citizens of industrialized countries.

Next, we were familiarized with the pink and african masks and the ways in which these characters moved. These masks were worn as signs of either the citizens of corporate industrialized nations or the citizens of third world countries actually affected by the policies of the IMF and the World Bank.

Tuesday night we also decided who was going to be in which parts of the show. Everyone was outside in the beginning and everyone was in, "The Foot", but someone got to be the "stomping house" and others were the African houses, some were gods, some were "howling teeth", and a few were the swaying grain.

By Wednesday morning we were "ready" for a technical rehearsal with all the sound and light cues. By the afternoon Mr. Schumann was already baking the bread and when we returned from our lunch break the texts were hung outside. Mr. Schumann asked us to take ten or fifteen minutes to get familiarized with a few of the large hangings and to figure out a creative way to read them in order to draw the attention of the waiting audience. We grouped up and looked them over, when out of the quiet hum rose the voice of Matty-Boy, an intern for the company, screaming, "OUR LIFESTYLES ARE NOT UP FOR NEGOTIATION!", the quote on his banner. From then on, the rest of us were more daring with our approaches to the texts, most of which were filled with more specific information about World Bank and IMF policies and their effects.

After our quick look at the banners, we had a long dress rehearsal and that was it. Two hours 'til showtime. When we returned from dinner in our suits at 7:30, many of us weren't sure if we were quite ready to put on a show for 400 people which we had been introduced to the night before. In my opinion, however, the show went very well. The "Bread and Puppet people" were really fun to work with and those of us that hung out with them outside of rehearsal had a great time.

I was very encouraged by a discussion about the IMF I heard on my way to class this morning and am both pleased and impressed by the number of questions and discussions I've heard about the piece. Maybe the Arts aren't dead at Hamilton after all. By the way, the dummy crashed on Lori Eaton's native residence.

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Loy exhibit debuts at Kirkland Art Center

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An exibition of recent paintings and drawings in by Mary Loy will open with a reception to meet the artists on Sunday, September 17 from 2:00 to 5:00 in the afternoon at the Kirkland Art Center on East Park Row, which is Route 12B, in Clinton. These recent works include both representation and abstraction. The paintings are in oil paint on canvas and the drawings are done in conte crayon and ink on paper. The public is invited to attend the reception.

The exhibition will remain on view at the Center until October 12 during regular Gallery hours which are Tuesday through Friday 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM and Sunday 2:00 to 5:00 PM. After October 1, the Gallery will also be open on Saturdays from noon to four PM.

Of her new work the artist has written, "Much of my imagery is autobiographical. Sometimes there is a specific message- social, political, or personal. The "party" has been a recurring theme for my paintings and drawings over the years, and is the focus of part of the work in the show.

I begin with an idea, which developes slowly and changes often. The subject, in some cases, may be quite obvious, but there is always an underlying concern for abstract relationships. Frequently, I allow the picture to "take over". I like to be surprised by the final results, and leave a bit of mystery.

Mary Gaylord Loy has been featured in many one and two artist exhibitions in this area, most recently at the Central New York Community arts Council gallery in 1993 and 1994. Other exhibitions were mounted at Syracuse stage, Utica College of Syracuse University, Holland Patent Village Gallery, Hamilton College, Munson Williams Proctor Intstitute and the Rome Community Art Center. She has been included in many group shows and is represented in many collections including those of Hamilton College, Munson Williams Proctor Institute and the Kirkland Art Center.

Ms.Loy has taught art in art schools and in public schools in the area, most recently as part of the Central New York Arts in Education and at the Kirkland Arts Center. From 1986 to 1993, she was Chair of the Exhibitions Committee at the Kirkland Art Center, where she remains a dedicated member of that committee.

This exhibition was made possible in part by a grant to Mary Loy of a Special Opportunity Stipend from public funds from the New York State Council on the Arts as well as contributions from private foundations and friends of the New York Foundation on the Arts. Contact: Catharine Westlake.

Movies in Review

By Matthew Nolan '98
A&E writer

Movie Rentals of the Week
Reservoir Dogs:

Quentin Tarantino's maiden effort is, in my opinion, still his best. Tarantino wrote, directed, and had a small part (Mr. Brown) in this film about a group of thieves brought together to pull a diamond heist. The six men are called by colored code names so that if captured by the cops, none of them will know the names or any info about the others. The focus of the movie isn't the robbery itself, but what happens afterwards. The men are put into a panic when they begin the robbery and the cops arrive minutes later with guns blazing.

Tim Roth, Michael Madsen, Harvey Keitel, and my hero, Steve Buscemi, star as the survivors of the botched bank heist who spend the remainder of the film trying to figure out which one of them ratted to the cops. There's plenty of graphic violence and bad language to go around, plus a classic opening scene at a restaurant talking about Madonna and society's tipping norms. I'm not sure what the title is supposed to suggest, but I'm sure it's symbolic of something. The soundtrack is incredible with clips from comedian Steven Wright.

If you haven't seen this movie yet, you can't consider yourself to truly be experiencing life. If you can't rent it at Viddyo down the street or Blockbuster in New Hartford, I have a copy of the film, so if you're interested in seeing it, contact *The Spectator*. A+

Monty Python's
The Meaning of Life:

Anything by Monty Python is classic, but I figured that this one might be appropriate for college students curious about the purpose of existence. The six members of Python: Graham Chapman, John Cleese, Eric Idle, Michael Palin, Terry Jones, and Terry Gilliam, join together for their last joint effort.

The film is broken down into seven parts, each one describing aspects of the meaning of life. My personal favorites involve a man who eats too much and blows up, two men dressed as a tiger in the military, and the Grim Reaper interrupting a dinner party to tell the guests that they're dead. The movie is full of inspiring songs and classic lines that you'll be quoting with your friends (if they're twisted enough).

As in the above case, it is imperative that you see at least one Monty Python movie, so if the Jitney blows you off and you can't get to a video store, I have this one too so I'll lend it to you.

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If you liked the above two rentals, check these out:

True Romance
Pulp Fiction
Killing Zoe
Monty Python's Life of Brian
Monty Python's Search for the Holy Grail
Monty Python's Flying Circus Episodes
Monty Python's How to Irritate People

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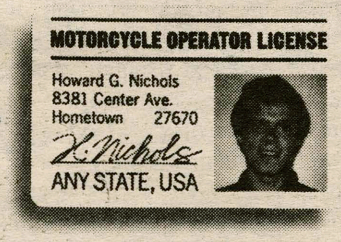

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New compositions, jazz standards mark 'Jazz Kick-Off Concert'

By Matthew Nolan '98
A&E writer

"Doctuh" Mike Woods and five other musicians opened the season of Jazz concerts at Hamilton with a "Jazz Kick-Off Concert," Wednesday in the Fillius Events Barn. Joining Woods, who played the bass, were Hamilton alum Paul Kogut on guitar, Hamilton sax teacher Monk Rowe, and Carlton Holmes of New York City on piano. Rounding out the sextet were local musician Mark Van Cleave on trumpet and Jimmy Johns on drums.

Both new and old compositions were included during both sets as the musicians traversed a spectrum of styles and composers. A number of the pieces were original works by "Doctuh" Woods, many of which had composed over this past summer. One such piece was the arrangement which they opened entitled "Equal to," which was a variation on a tune entitled "Sugar" therefore the variation was "Equal."

The following concert consisted of a repetoire including "My Funny Valentine," among others. "The Boat People," a tribute to people reaching for freedom, featured solos from Van Cleave on turmpet and saxophonist Rowe. "Doctuh" Woods prefaced his piece "Diggable Dues" with an admontion that every musician has to pay their dues along the way if they are going to make it in music.

Students in Woods' History of Jazz class were in attendance, taking notes through the two set performance as Woods explained various aspects of live jazz. The show also attracted other students and faculty who had to be tempted by the sweet sounds eminating from inside the Barn.

The concert, which lasted into the early evening, once again brought the sounds of live jazz to the Hamilton campus.

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For the week of September 15-22

Virgo
(August 23-September 22)
Be aware that an opportunity that you have wished to end may soon conclude. Furthermore, an activity which you wish would continue may end in the near future. Since you have been around many dominant people lately, it may be to your benefit that you appear as a naive and caring person. It may be time to sit back and listen rather than voice your opinion constantly. You may learn a helpful lesson.

Libra
(September 23-October 22)
There are many sudden changes ahead of you. Try not to engage in any long-term relationships with a significant other because this partner could turn out to be too demanding. However, you should practice the act of compromising. Keep a sharp focus on your personal goals. If you are interested in a person of the opposite sex, make your move soon!

Scorpio
(October 23-November 21)
Take time out from your busy schedule for romance. It is possible that there will be a return in your life of something that occurred last April. This may be a benefit to you since you have been meaning to bring closure to some aspects of your life while, at the same time, venturing into new activities. Thus, start to try new things, the old routine may no longer satisfy your needs.

Sagittarius
(November 22-December 21)
Exercise caution with your money but don't become obsessed with finances. It is possible that you may make a good financial transaction this month which may benefit you. Plan on being visited by old friends. Wait until the end of the month to do anything drastic. If it doesn't feel right, wait!!

Capricorn
(December 22-January 19)
If you've been recently trying to decide about what to do concerning a career, you may be feeling worn out by now. Don't be greedy, you've been fortunate in the past so right now it just may be another person's turn to be prosperous and come up with all the right answers. Don't become overwhelmed with pride when you accomplish something, allow others to congratulate you.

Aquarius
(January 20-February 18)
Make the most of this month. Don't get involved with any major commitments because things aren't always what they seem to be. You already have too many commitments anyway, so don't increase your work load. Try not to do anything tremendously out of the ordinary because it may backfire and tarnish your reputation.

Pisces
(February 19-March 20)
Money is coming your way! You will receive it, spend it, and still be left with some in your pocket. Remain optimistic. You may become involved in new career directions in the upcoming months. If you are faced by a challenge, brush up on your skills and knowledge and prove to yourself that you can handle anything.

Aries
(March 21-April 19)
You may be feeling pressure from the people around you. As things move at a slow pace, your peers may be depending on you to come up with all of the right answers. Think more about yourself and your personal problems. If you think more about yourself, you will be more confident to go after your goals by the end of 1995. Take time to indulge yourself. Socialize and possibly buy some new clothes to improve your outside appearance.

Taurus
(April 20-May 20)
Your feeling stressed!! Listen to the advice of your elders, probably your parents, at a time like this. They may provide to you the answer that you have been searching for to solve a nagging problem which goes back a couple of weeks. It is important that you do not ignore your dreams and sudden impulses.

Gemini
(May 21-June 20)
Start exercising your body as much as you exercise your brain. You will be recognized for your achievements in the classroom or at the workplace. People enjoy being around you but make sure that you are surrounded by the right group of people. It is your choice who your friends are so don't allow yourself to be dragged into unhealthy relationships.

Cancer
(June 21-July 22)
Patch up old misunderstandings with your close friends. It's time to get out of your dorm room and meet new acquaintances. If it is at all possible, it would be a good time in your life and a rewarding experience to travel. Be more enthusiastic about everyday activities, maybe this way you will find more pleasure in what you are doing.

Leo
(July 23-August 22)
If you need to make an important decision by a certain date, try to delay it. You probably need more time to think about it. It is a great time to write to your friends and family who you have not spoken to in a while. They may have some encouraging news to share with you. Take some time out to fix up your room or an old treasured item, it may bring more pleasure to your life.

The Munson Williams Proctor Institute

Fall Schedule

16 Keyboard Conversations: *Vitruoso Variations,* 8 p.m. Museum of Art Auditorium
20 Gallery Talk: *What a relief!* 1 p.m. Museum of Art
20 Film Series: *Heavenly Creatures,* 2 and 7:30 p.m. Museum of Art Auditorium
22 Exhibition: *Wendy Menzie, Painter.* Reception: 5 to 6 p.m. School of Art Gallery
23 Exhibition Opening: *European Modernism,* 10 a.m. Museum of Art
23 Poerty Reading by Philip Bentivegna, 1 to 3 p.m. Art Shop Gift Gallery
23 Concerts in the Court: Tom Chapin, 8 p.m. Museum of Art
Artbreak Talk: *Augustas Saint-Gaudens's Amor Caritas,* Intermission
24 Gallery Talk: *Print Matters,* 1:15 p.m. Museum of Art
27 Gallery Talk: *The Demystification of Print Media: An Explanation of Techniques,* 1 p.m. Museum of Art
27 Film Series: *Once Were Warriors,* 2 and 7:30 p.m. Museum of Art Auditorium

Opening Times:
The Museum of Art is open Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday 1 to 5p.m. Phone 315-797-0000. The Performing Arts Box Office is open weekdays 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., 2 to 5 p.m. and before event. Phone 315-797-0055. The Art School Office and Gallery are open weekdays 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Phone 315-797-8260

Other Facilities:
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Location:
Downtown Utica, NY, 1.5 miles south of New York State Thruway Exit 31. Parking is free. Phone 315-797-0000.

15 *Friday*

3:30 p.m. **Women's Tennis.** Hamilton at St. Lawrence.
4:30-8:30 **Pub Event.** Friday Afternoon Club, Main Lounge, Bristol Campus Center.
6:00 **Hillel Shabbat Dinner.** Assembly Room of Bristol Campus Center.

16 *Saturday*

11:00 a.m. **Cross Country.** Hamilton at Union w/ Hartwick.
11:30 **Men's Soccer.** Hamilton at Williams.
Noon **Volleyball.** Hamilton at Oswego w/Oneonta.
1:00 **Golf.** Hamilton at Middlebury.
1:00 **Women's Soccer.** Rochester at Hamilton.

17 *Sunday*

9:00 a.m. **Golf.** Hamilton at Middlebury.
11:30 **Community Church.** (Protestant worship.) Janna Roche, Chaplain. "Willingness to Risk." Chapel.
1:00 p.m. **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.
1:00 **Women's Tennis.** Hamilton at Utica.
2:00 **Field Hockey.** Hamilton at Vassar.

18 *Monday*

10-11a.m. **Conversations with President Gene Tobin.** Beinecke Village.
1:00 p.m. **Golf.** Hamilton at LeMoyne.
4:00 **Know Thy Skills.** (24-hr advanced sign-up required) Sponored by the Career Center. Room 207 Couper.
6:00 **Japanese Table.** K.J. 242,
7:00 **Fine and Foreign Film Society Organizational Meeting.** Keehn, third floor lounge.
8:00 **Lecture.** "Hiroshima as History, Politics and Memory" Martin J. Sherwin, Professor of History from Tufts University. K-J Auditorium.

19 *Tuesday*

Noon **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.
4:00 **Men's Soccer.** Nazareth at Hamilton.
4:00 **Women's Soccer.** Union at Hamilton.
5:30 **Chinese Table.** KJ 107
7:00 **Volleyball.** Hartwick at Hamilton.
7:00 **Resume Workshop.**(24-hr advanced sign-up required) Sponored by the Career Center. Room 222, Kirner-Johnson.
8:00 **Buddhist Meditation.** Dwight Lounge.

20 *Wednesday*

4:30 p.m. **Women's Tennis.** LeMoyne at Hamilton.
7:00 **Campus Activities Board Meeting.** Bristol Campus Center Basement.
7:30 **Focus on the Liberal Arts and Work in the 21st Century.** "The Restructuring of Work, Globalization of the Economy, and What You Should Expect from a Liberal Education." Dr. Michael Useem of the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania

21 *Thursday*

9:00 a.m. - 4 p.m. **Clothesline Project.** Beinecke Village. presented by the YMCA. The Clothesline is a tribute to the survivors and victims of the war against women.
Noon **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.
7:30 **Wellness Seminar.** "Body Image, Eating Issues, and Self Acceptance." Jan Fisher, MA, Counseling Center. Red Pit, Kirner-Johnson Building.
8:00 **Sigma Xi Lecture.** "Mathematics in Stone and Bronze." Helaman Ferguson, '62. Chemistry Auditorium.
Poetry Reading. Events Barn.

22 *Friday*

9:00 a.m. - 4 p.m. **Clothesline Project,**
3:30 **Field Hockey.** Skidmore at Hamilton.
7:30 **Film.** *The Blood of the Condor.* Sponsored by the Foreign and Fine Film Society. K-J Auditorium. $
8:30 Plant Lecture. "How do nerve cells talk to each other in the brain?" Paul Greengard '48, Sponsored by Sigma Xi. Chapel.

MOVIES

The following area movie schedules are for the week of September 15-September 21.

Sangertown 797-2121

Clockers	*6:45, 9:45*
Hackers	*7:05, 9:50*
Usual Suspects	*6:50, 9:25*
Angus	*7:20, 9:40*
To Wong Foo, Thanks For Everything	*7:00, 9:30*
Dangerous Minds	*6:35, 9:15*
National Lampoon's Senior Trip	*6:40, 9:20*
Babe	*1:10, 4:10*
The Tie That Binds	*7:10, 10:00*
Mortal Kombat	*1:05, 4:05*
The Prophecy	*7:15, 9:35*

Clinton Cinema 853-5553

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Up Town 797-0020

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On Campus

Dumb and Dumber
Friday & Sunday @7:30
Saturday @10:00

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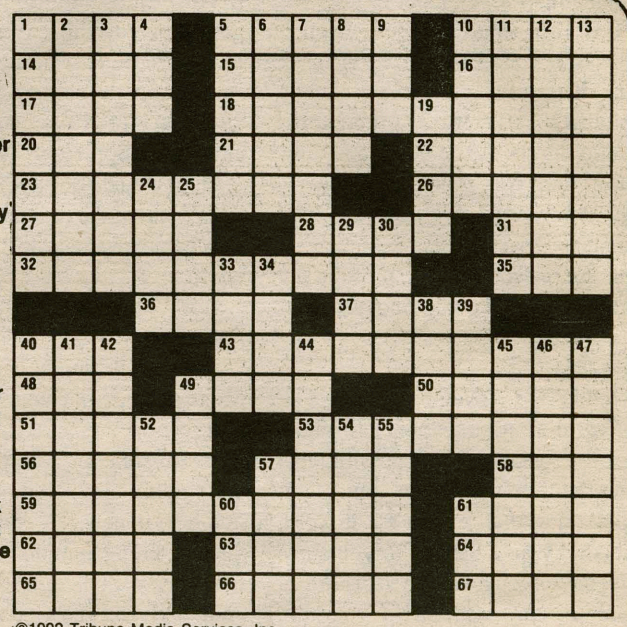

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32 Poe heroine
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36 Human or rat
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The Hamilton Athlete of the Week

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Susan Glah has led the field hockey team in their past 2 victories. She scored 4 goals, from her left midfielder position, in the team's 4-2 win over UCAA rival Union. Glah has scored 5 of the team's 7 goals this season.

Susan Glah '99

Congratulations, Susan! You are the *Hamilton Athlete of the Week!*

STATISTICS:

-- first-year
-- left midfielder

OTHER PEAK PERFORMERS

Tom Capo '97

Last Saturday Capo was the top finisher for Hamilton against #1 ranked Rochester. The hilly 4.0 mile course proved to be a minimal obstacle for Capo who finished sixth in 22:10. Congratulations, Tom! You are a peak performer!

Women's soccer looks to improve on opening game tie

BY TODD MONSELL '98
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

The Hamilton women's soccer team opened their 1995 campaign on the road this past week, facing instate rivals Oneonta on Saturday and Oswego on Tuesday.

At Oneonta, the Continentals experienced wet field conditions as they managed a 2-2 tie. Assistant coach Marsha Foster '95 praised Oneonta as a fast team, and one that left the Continentals "unsure of what to expect." The team showed its youthful face as both Hamilton goals were scored by first-years. Marissa Soloman '99 and Heather Reichart '99 scored for the Continentals, assisted by Christina Robeson '97 and Kristy Kisner '96, respectively. Hamilton held a 2-1 lead until Oneonta tallied with only 10 minutes remaining in the contest. The teams then played a scoreless overtime period. Goalkeeper Carrie Maxwell '99, playing in her very first college game, was impressive with 9 saves. Several veteran players "stepped up" as well, with the team getting "good senior leadership" from captains Wendy Phillips and Meg Jones, along with Heather Bruce, who came off the bench to play a solid game defensively. All players were positive contributors to a game that, according to Coach Foster "could have been different on a different day."

On Tuesday, Hamilton travelled to Oswego and ran into a "very strong team" that defeated them, 4-2. Oswego was led by sophomore 2nd team All-American midfielder Janet D'Agostino, who accounted for 2 Oswego goals. However, the Continentals held a 2-1 lead for most of the first half after early goals from Christina Robeson '97 and Meg Jones '96, who tallied just three minutes apart. Unfortunately for the Continentals, Oswego proved too tough an opponent as they tied the score before halftime and broke it open directly after the break with two quick goals. Hamilton received a solid performance in the net from another first-year, Carrie Armstrong, who finished with 12 saves. Also playing strong games were co-captains Phillips and Jones, as well as Sarah Mason '96 playing midfield and Kerri Goldberg '98 at defense.

Hamilton should get a boost from a schedule that keeps them home on the friendly confines of Mason Field for the next three contests. On Saturday, the young team plays its first home match of the season against Rochester at 1:00. Union visits on Tuesday and archrival William Smith the following Saturday. Come watch a young, improving team take on some of New York state's finest this week as the women's soccer season gets in to full swing.

Write sports

call x4100

Are you interested in getting involved with Student Government?
If so, ACT NOW -- for a limited time only...
This offer is not valid at any other liberal arts college and cannot be combined with other offers.
Student Assembly is holding elections on Wednesday, October 4 (correction from last week's misprint of September 27) for the following positions:

Central Council
Class of 1996
Two Representatives
Treasurer / Secretary

Class of 1999
Five Representatives
Treasurer / Secretary
President

Honor Court
Representative (Class of 1999)

Judicial Board
Chair (any year -- must have prior Judicial Board experience)
Two Representatives (one Class of 1996 representative, one Class of 1999 representative)

Platforms (to be submitted on disk in WriteNow format) and petitions (available at Burke Library, Mail Center, Bristol Campus Center, and the Registrar's Office) must be sent via campus mail to Student Assembly by September 18 at 4:00 p.m. Platforms must not exceed 100 words. Questions?? Contact the Student Assembly office at x4575.

If you are interested in any of the following appointed positions, contact Andrew Edelson, x1454.

Treasurer of Central Council
Corresponding Secretary
Chair of Publicity
Chair of Communications
Chair of Academic Project Team
Chair of Constitution Project Team

The Central Council unanimously approved the following amendment to the Student Body Constitution. Upon student body approval, Article 13 shall read:

Section 1. This Constitution shall be amended by ~~a two thirds majority of the voting Student Body upon recommendation of~~ a three-quarters majority of the Central Council.

Section 2. All proposed amendments shall be printed in one issue of the Spectator. A petition of no less than 100 student signatures shall require the amendment to be voted upon by the Student Body. A simple majority of the voting body passes the amendment. [Note: This Section 2 replaces the current Section 2.]

Men's tennis under new direction

By Greg Nussbaum'98
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

For the first time in recent Continental history, the men's tennis team will play both in the spring and the fall. This year's squad is led by new coach Scott Smith, who brings a wealth of enthusiasm and experience to the team. Smith played collegiate tennis at Springfield College and also spent time touring on the semi-pro satellite circuit.

This year's team is a young one, as five freshman will receive playing time. In addition, five players return from last year's 14-8 team . Jed Whitlock '98, who made a name for himself at last spring's NESCAC tournament will start the year at the number one position. Co-captain J.W. Hobson '97 will play behind him at number two. Co-captain Sam Walker '96, who holds the Hamilton College career win record will play three. Walker is approaching his 50th singles win, and should hit that prestigious plateau by mid-season. Walker is also optimistic about this years' team," This team is working harder than I have seen in my four years and It will show up with our improved intensity and record."

Ben Pinchin '99 and Steven Keyes-Grevelis '99 will play four and five respectively. Greg Nussbaum '98 will start the year playing at number six. The team also features hard serving Damon Lopez-O' Dwyer'98 who will play both singles and doubles. Courtney Harris '99, Zane Murdock '99, and Andrew Schoff '99 will round out this year's team.

Women's tennis defeats Wm. Smith

By Greg Nussbaum'98
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

This past week was one of ups and down for the women's tennis team. Sunday, the women posted one of the biggest victories in recent memory, defeating previously dominant William Smith 7-2. Coach Kelly McElroy was pleased, as it was the first victory against William Smith in her six years," It was a good win for us, the girls battled and played well." Shana Roberts '99 (6-1, 6-4), Pepper Johnson '96 (6-2, 6-0), Nikki Wolford '98 (6-3, 6-0), and Erin Civello '99 (6-4, 6-3)all won convincingly. Co-Captain Jane Taylor'96, who sweated out a three set victory(3-6, 7-6, 6-3), had this to say, "It was a really good win for the team. Hopefully this win will dictate how the rest of the season will go. It just shows how deep the team is, and how the freshman pulled together as well as the upperclassmen." In addition, the doubles teams of Thea Underwood '98 and Johnson along with Wolford and Katy Pollock '98 soundly defeated their opponents.

After such an inspiring upset, the women experienced what perhaps was a letdown, dropping their next match in heartbreaking fashion at home against Union 5-4. This match was especially tough to swallow, considering how close Hamilton was to victory. Among the disappointed was Coach McElroy," All we needed was to win one more tiebreaker, unfortunately we didn't come through." Thea Underwood, Pepper Johnson and Nikki Wolford each won pivotal matches, however, Erin Civello and the doubles team of Wolford and Pollock lost in tiebreakers.

Coach McElroy is optimistic and for good reason. Nikki Wolford is 4-0 and Pepper Johnson and Civello are each 3-1. The weakness lies in doubles teams explains McElroy," We need to focus on doubles, as well as develop synchronization. These matches are crucial, there will be some shifting of players. I expect to win two points(out of a possible three) in doubles each match."

Hamilton faces St. Lawrence and LeMoyne this week, in preparation for the Rolex tournament, an extremely competitive tournament which features some of the top players in New York and Pennsylvania.

Cornwell stars for golf team

By Spectator Sports Staff

There was good news and bad news for the Hamilton golf team at their first event of the season, the Cornell-Colgate Invitational. The good news was that Jon Cornwell '99 and Matt Miller '99 had fine tournaments, and that co-captain Mike Saber '97 was in contention for individual honors for much of the event. The bad news is that the team had to count a high score each day, and as a result finished 12th in the 19 team largly Division I field.

The event was played on two of the toughest courses the team will compete on all year, Colgate's Seven Oaks, the site of many regional and national championships, and Cornell's almost equally difficult Robert Trent Jones course. Only Division III Skidmore, which looks to continue its near domination of northeastern golf, was able to average under 310 to win the championship by a wide margin. Division III Binghamton was second. Lehigh and Colgate rounded out the top four.

Saber started the tournament with a fine 78 in the first round, but a series of three putt greens the second day at Seven Oaks took him out of contention for the lead. Skidmore's All-American Mike Porter, fired two 75s to win the individual championship for the third straight year, with an excellent performance considering the rain and wind in which much of the tournament was played. Saber fiinished with a 162 total. John Cornwell, playing in his first intercollegiate tournament, relied on a fine short game to shoot 80-81 and lead the Continentals in scoring, while first year Matt Miller ended up with a very solid 83-84. Darren Fuller '98 and first year Andrew Begley showed some good ball striking potential, but were unable to score consistently in either round.

The team hopes to rebound this weekend at Middlebury's Duke Nelson Invitational.

Next Week's My Two Cents:

Should Hamilton sell alcohol at football games?

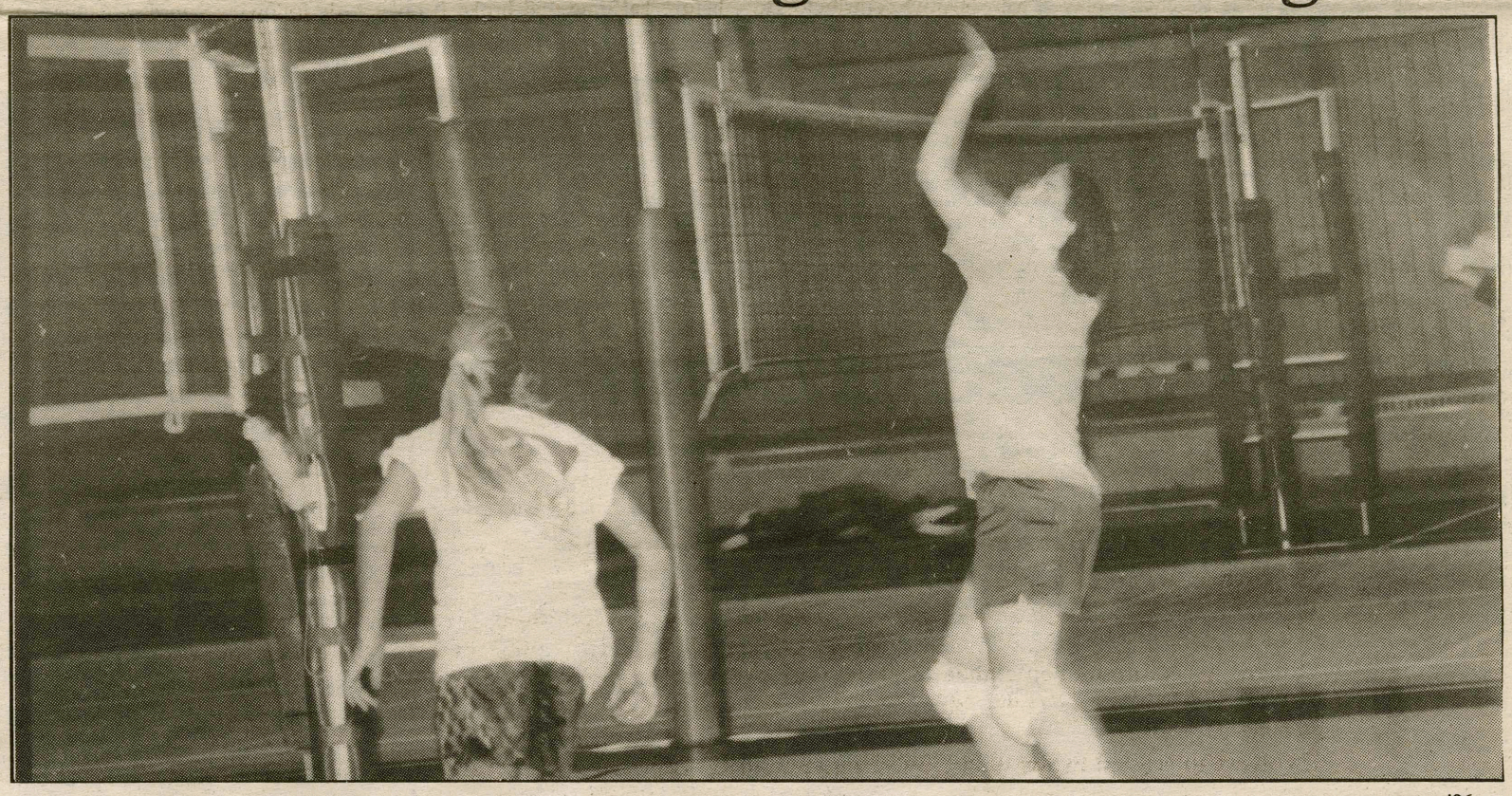
Volleyball extends home winning streak to 11 games

By Jason Santarcangelo '98
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

Captain Michelle Pickett '96 summed up the Hamilton volleyball team's quick 3-1 start when she stated, "We're a young team who needs to continue to work together. We have already have had some great learning experiences. We need to continue to work hard on playing on same level with consistency. We have a tough road ahead of us yet."

The Continentials bolted out of the gate after losing their opener at the Skidmore Tournament to Western Connecticut. The Continentials have won their last three games including a home contest Wednesday night. This win against Russell Sage extended their home unbeaten streak to 11-0.

Christina Clark '97 paced the offense with six kills and added seven digs in the stellar defense showing against Russell Sage at the Field House. The Continentals made quick work of Russell Sage, disposing of them by scores of 15-4, 15-6, and 15-2. Coach Geri Knortz said following the quick victory, "It was a total team victory, at the end of the night we were able to get in five freshmen and our setter. It was great to see the support of the upperclassmen when the freshamn were in." Other outstanding performers in the game were Angela Whtiford '98, who rattled off seven straight points in the third set including four service aces to put away Russell Sage. Shelia Green '97 added five kills while teammates Maggie Lower '98 and Pickett '96 each added four kills. Kate Hintz '97 had another great game adding 16 assists.



With their win against Russell Sage, the volleyball team improved their record to 3-1. PHOTO BY NICK SCHUTZ '96

When the team arrived at the Skidmore Tournament, it was faced with immediate problems. In their first match of the season against Western Connecticut, Lower was forced to sit out the first game with a tender ankle and would be used sparingly throughout the day. Jennifer Lentek '99 was inserted into the veteran line up and played well. The Continentals lost the set 15-13. Lower came back for the second game and the Continental offense clicked once again. The Ladies would win the set 15-10. The Continentals lost the third set 15-8, losing the match. According to Knortz, "Our third game was sloppy, we made unforced errors and you can not afford to do that in a three set match." Clark made nine kills and Hintz added 17 assists to pace the Continentals.

The team would rebound quickly from the loss and dismantle host Skidmore, 15-8 and 15-3. Clark once again led the attack with six kills. Green paced the defense with with seven digs and added five kills while Hintz continued to lead the team with 15 assists. In the team's final match of the day, they again made quick work of their opponent, St. Lawrence 15-6 and 15-11. "After the first match the team pulled together and began to click well together as a unit," noted Knortz. Lower paced the offense with seven kills. Hintz added 11 more assists to her team leading totals.

On the season, Clark leads the team in kills with 24, while Lower is closely behind with 22. Hintz leads the team with 58 assists and Captain Deb Delsignore '96 has added 25. Pickett leads the team with seven service aces and 27 digs. In the four matches the Continentals have played this season, they have outscored their opponents 141-80 to accumulate a 3-1 mark.

The team will travel to Oswego for a tri-meet with Oswego and Oneonta Saturday. Last year, Oswego was 42-4 and ranked fourth in the State. This year has been a different story as Oswego has struggled early resulting in a 3-5 mark. Knortz noted, "It will be a big test, if we continue to play together as a team we will do fine." Oneonta, who beat Oswego earlier this season, will also provide the Continentals with a test. On Tuesday, September 19th, the Continentals will take on Hartwick. The team will try to extend its eleven game home win streak in volleyball camp reunion night.

This Week in Hamilton Sports

Sport	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.
Football		Amherst 1:30 pm					
Volleyball		Oswego 12 pm			Hartwick 7 pm		
Golf		Middlebury Invit. 1 pm		LeMoyne 1 pm			
Men's Soccer		Williams 11:30 pm			Nazareth 4 p.m.		
Women's Soccer		Rochester 1:00 p.m.			Union 4 pm		
Men's Tennis		Flower City Tourn. TBA					
Women's Tennis				Utica 1 pm			LeMoyne 4:30 p.m.
Cross Country		Union 11 a.m.					

Indicates Home Game

Indicates Away Game

NCAA needs playoffs

Polls not accurate indicator

It seems to me that the practice of running up the score in college football is getting a little out of hand. Auburn scored 76 points last week. Nebraska has scored 114 points in two weeks. Teams feel that they need to win big in order to stay high in the polls. Coaches have good reason to think that way, too. Pollsters have been shown to weigh blowouts, or lack thereof, quite heavily in considering a team's fate. Since there is no objective way to measure college polls, the primary source which voters take into account is scores.

For example, consider Penn State. Last fall, the Nittany Lions were voted out of first place in the polls after beating Indiana, by a relatively small margin, 35-29. The score, however, does not tell the whole story. In the fourth quarter, Penn State was winning handily, 35-14. Coach Joe Paterno, choosing not to rack up the points, substituted backups whom he claims "hadn't even practiced." Big mistake. No, make that huge mistake. The substitutions resulted in a 35-29 final score, a score that made the game look much closer than it had been. That score was apparently all that voters considered when choosing Nebraska as the best team in the land. The Nittany Lions fell to second place in the polls, and watched a national championship slip away, even though they went undefeated and untied throughout the rest of the season.

So let's get this straight: Voters are impressed by huge offensive outputs. Coaches want to impress voters. In turn, Auburn coach Terry Bowden decides to see just how many points his team can score against the powerful Tennessee-Chattanooga squad. The subsequent 76 points that the Tigers lay on UTC is about as impressive as Auburn scoring 76 points against our Continentals. Why shouldn't Auburn score so many points? Well, the main reason is because it's unsportsmanlike. The main point here, though, isn't that they shouldn't score so many points, it's that *they shouldn't need to in order to win voters' respect.* The matchups between the two teams are ridiculously lopsided, that's a foregone conclusion. But when Bowden feels that he needs to lay that shellacking on his weaker opponent in order to impress the voters, the system is just plain out of whack. The system, as it stands, practically requires a lopsided win over a non-ranked team in order for a ranked team to stand its ground in the polls. Colorado coach Rick Neuheisel comments, "It's a bad incentive, but those are the facts." Accordingly, Florida State coach Bobby Bowden feels forced to keep starting quarterback Danny Kanell in the game against Duke, despite the fact that his Seminoles are already winning 63-26. Kanell throws for another score, making the score a ridiculous 70-26, but more importantly protecting Florida State's top ranking. Therefore, when Paterno doesn't play by the rules, and allows his opponent to retain some dignity, he falls in the rankings.

Clearly, college football has a problem with its rankings, which are unduly affected by lopsided margins of victory. When coaches feel pressure to win by more than 50 points, any thought of substituting at the end of a blowout goes out the window. All that matters is making sure that you beat your opponent as handily as possible, especially if they aren't ranked very high. The idea of sportsmanship isn't considered, and if it is, then teams, like Penn State, get burned. So, how to cure the problem? Well, the only way to solve debates about which team is really the best is to place them head to head. Heck, that's the way that every other sport does it. In fact, try to imagine the hoops season without March Madness, or baseball without the College World Series. It just isn't the same. No matter what the bowl coalition may achieve, it won't have the same effect as a playoff system would. Inevitably, rankings in season will play a crucial part in determining thew national champion. With a playoff system, though, regular season games would be important in terms of wins and losses, but not in terms of scores. That's right, college football needs to implement the much debated playoff system. What college football fan wouldn't have enjoyed a Nebraska-Penn State championship last season? Such a game would have given Paterno an opportunity to vindicate himself for his decision not to run up the score on Indiana, a decision which arguably cost Penn State a shot at the national title. More importantly, though, teams would not feel the need to run up the score against the Tennessee-Chattanoogas of the world, and college football would have a better idea of which teams are really the best, not just which have the most unsportsmanlike coaches.

Beat the "Experts"

Each pick has been selected to win contest outright. *If any given game ends in a tie, that game is thrown out of the lineup. Beat the "Experts"* is by no means associated with organized gambling on professional or college sports. Whichever Guest Handicapper posts the best winning percentage during their week will be selected as *Hamilton's Athlete of the Week* (honorary) in the final issue of this semester and will be entitled to all the perks therein, namely an all-expense paid dinner with our one and only celebrity Sports Editor, Samuel M. Walker, as well as their picture in *The Spectator.*

Specially Selected Sporting Events	Sam Walker *Spectator Sports Editor*	Brian Cohen *Spectator Sports Editor*	Trip MacCracken *Spectator Sports Editor*	Mark Granovsky Associate *Sports Editor*	Keith Wandtke Sophomore *Guest #1*
	Last Week: 8-6 To date: 15-13	Last Week: 11-3 To date: 20-8	Last Week: 11-3 To date: 18-10	Last Week: 7-7 To date: 16-12	Last Week's Guest: Jeff Turcotte '99 10-4
NFL					
Cleveland at Houston 9/17	Cleveland	Cleveland	Cleveland	Cleveland	Cleveland
San Diego at Philadelphia 9/17	Philadelphia	Philadelphia	San Diego	San Diego	Philadelphia
Indianapolis at Buffalo 9/17	Buffalo	Buffalo	Indianapolis	Buffalo	Buffalo
St. Louis at Carolina 9/17	St. Louis	Carolina	Carolina	St. Louis	St. Louis
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My Two Cents

Deion deserves spotlight

By Samuel M. Walker '96
SPORTS EDITOR

Last Sunday afternoon, I had the pleasure to watch football at the infamous Utica Sports Authority. And although there were 13 superb games taking place, fans were only interested in discussing Deion Sanders. (In case anyone didn't know, Deion signed a 7 year- $35 million contract with the Dallas Cowboys last Saturday). Well, for some reason, I was left out of all these fans' intellectual discussions. I presume a lot of this had to do with my green and white Jet attire. Since I haven't yet had the chance, I will now spew forth my opinions about Deion.

People are fascinated that Deion is a two-sport star, the second coming of Bo Jackson. When Deion was picked fifth in the 1989 draft by the Atlanta Falcons out of Florida State, everyone knew he was going to be a star cornerback. And for the last six years, Sanders has lived up to his billing, becoming arguably the best defensive player in all of football. Since 1989, Sanders has amassed 30 interceptions and 8 touchdowns.

In the early stages of the other half of Sanders two-sport career, however, skeptics questioned his baseball talent. This was mainly due to Deion's 1990 season with the Yankees, where Sanders batted a paltry .159. For the most part, Sanders has proven the skeptics wrong. No, he will never be as good in baseball as he is in football, but his statistics show that he has become an accomplished professional baseball player. In 1992, playing for the Braves, Sanders batted .304 and stole 26 bases, proving himself a solid leadoff threat.

While Americans are intrigued by Deion's two-sport abilities, perhaps they are more excited by his flash and flare. A couple of years ago, Sanders played an afternoon game for the Falcons, then flew by helicopter to Pittsburgh to play with Braves in the National League Championship Series, a feat which no player had ever tried. Deion's athletic ability has facilitated his unprecedented accomplishments. More important to his stature, however, is the fact that Deion is a shrewd businessman and promotes his image to perfection. Sure, Sanders plays himself up. But the fact is Deion can talk the talk. After becoming the most sought out free agent in the history of the NFL, Deion chose to sign with San Francisco in pursuit of a Super Bowl. Then, in his 49er debut, Sanders returned an interception for a touchdown. He wasn't finished there. In his return to Atlanta, Sanders surpassed his previous exploits, taunting former teammate and friend Andre Rison, and subsequently claiming to have built the Georgia Dome. I believe his technical term was "my house". Such attitude is prototypical Deion, and in fact, is part of the reason why Sanders played a pivotal part in the 49ers successful bid for their fifth Super Bowl ring.

Critics claim that Sanders never makes a tackle and is ineffective versus the run. However, Sanders more than makes up for his inability to defend the run, by his remarkable propensity for covering receivers. Not even Michael Irvin, Jerry Rice, or Sterling Sharpe have been able to escape the shadow of Deion Sanders. In addition, Sanders contagious style provides an emotional boost that no other player is capable of generating. From his cornerback position, he has the rare ability to control the pace of the game. For all of the aforementioned reasons, Sanders is worth the money that Jerry Jones is paying him. He is the final piece of the Cowboys puzzle as they attempt to dethrone the 49ers and claim yet another Super Bowl. Many will argue that Jones is only paying Deion this type of money so that the Cowboys will not have to face Deion wearing a Dolphin or 49ers jersey. And while this may be a very plausible explanation, it doesn't matter why they acquired Deion. The only thing that matters is that by acquiring Deion, the Cowboys have put themselves in the best possible position to win another Super Bowl. Love him or hate him, you can't ignore him. And this my friends, is what Prime Time is all about.

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Men soccer loses 4th straight opener to Union

By Mark Granovsky '98
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

The men's soccer team played their 1995 opener against the Union Dutchmen with a haunting similarity to their 1994 opener. The Continentals controlled the contest with an up-tempo game of intensity and passing, but it proved futile as Union edged Hamilton 2-1. The Dutchmen also shut out the Continenals 1-0 in the 1994 season opener.

These losses are never easy to take for a Hamilton fan. While the Continetnals made few shots on goal in the first half, each shot was well placed and began to erode the Union defense. Sweeper Devin Sullivan '96 gave a beautiful pass to Ke Sagnia '97 that he shot directly into the arms of goalie Joe Caruso '96 with 32:20 remaining in the half. Marc Campbell's '96 cross-kick at 22:58 nearly put Hamilton on the board.

Union scored first on a penalty kick by junior midfielder Ted Doran with 8:04 remaining in the first half. The Continentals quickly retaliated with a goal less than a minute later. Forwards Brendan Forrest '98 and Ryan Stoddard '98 brought the ball upfield and looked to bring it into the middle of the field. As Stoddard attempted to pass the ball back to Forrest, the ball deflected off the legs of a Dutchman and into the goal. Stoddard was credited with the goal; Forrest the assist. This marked Hamilton's first tally of the 1995 season. The Continentals were shut out 2-0 in a scrimmage against the Wesleyan Cardinals last Saturday.

Coach Manfred von Schiller remarked that "[we] had the ball about 60 to 70 percent in our offensive zone, but Union outshot us on goal." Hamilton managed only thirteen shots on goal and seven corner kicks in the entire game.

The second half was almost a carbon-copy of the first. The Continentals dictated the pace of the game, but Union gained the tally. Union forward Jon Pearlman headed the ball towards the outstretched arms of goalie Mike Heffernan '98 with 23:47 left in the second half. Heffernan slapped the ball out of the goal, but Pearlman headed it again into the net for the goal and the win.

There were several positive aspects to the game. Despite having top scorer Baran Tekkora '96 out because of a last season penalty and several injured players, Hamilton played a gutsy and competitive game. Standout players were Brendan Forrest and Jeff Kingsley '96 for consistent hustle. Mike Heffernan also made a couple of impressive saves in goal.

"We didn't expect Union to be tough. They were probably the weakest Union team I've seen, but their forwards were very speedy." commented co-captain Devin Sullivan. "We just have to put the first game behind us."

Co-Captain Marc Campbell agreed. "We had trouble with Union in the past. We played well, as well as we could."

Does Union have an advantage by playing us in their third game of the year? "It is an edge, but not a deciding factor. They did not have to overcome the first game jitters," explained Campbell.

Men's soccer has always been a notoriously slow starter. After consecutive 1-0 losses to Union and Williams in 1994, the Continentals went on an unprecendented ten game winning streak. Hamilton will travel three and a half hours to play the Williams Ephmen on Saturday. The Ephmen made it to the second round of the NCAA Division III playoffs last year. Let's hope Saturday's game against Williams is not a repeat of last year.

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Football Preview Part II: Defense Wins Championships

By Rick Pizzo'96
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

After previewing the offensive side of Hamilton football last week, we'll preview the Continental defense this week. Returning seven starters on the defensive side of the ball, the Cont's look to improve on last year's strong defensive showing. Both team captains, Jeff Holden '96, and Tom Farren '96, line up on the defensive side of the ball, so leadership should not be a problem. Hamilton's defense shone brightly in spots last year and with more experience all around, Frank feels that this year's defense should be able to keep opponents off the scoreboard. The Continentals line up in an unorthodox 4-4 defense. Let's start with the big boys on the defensive line.

Defensive Line

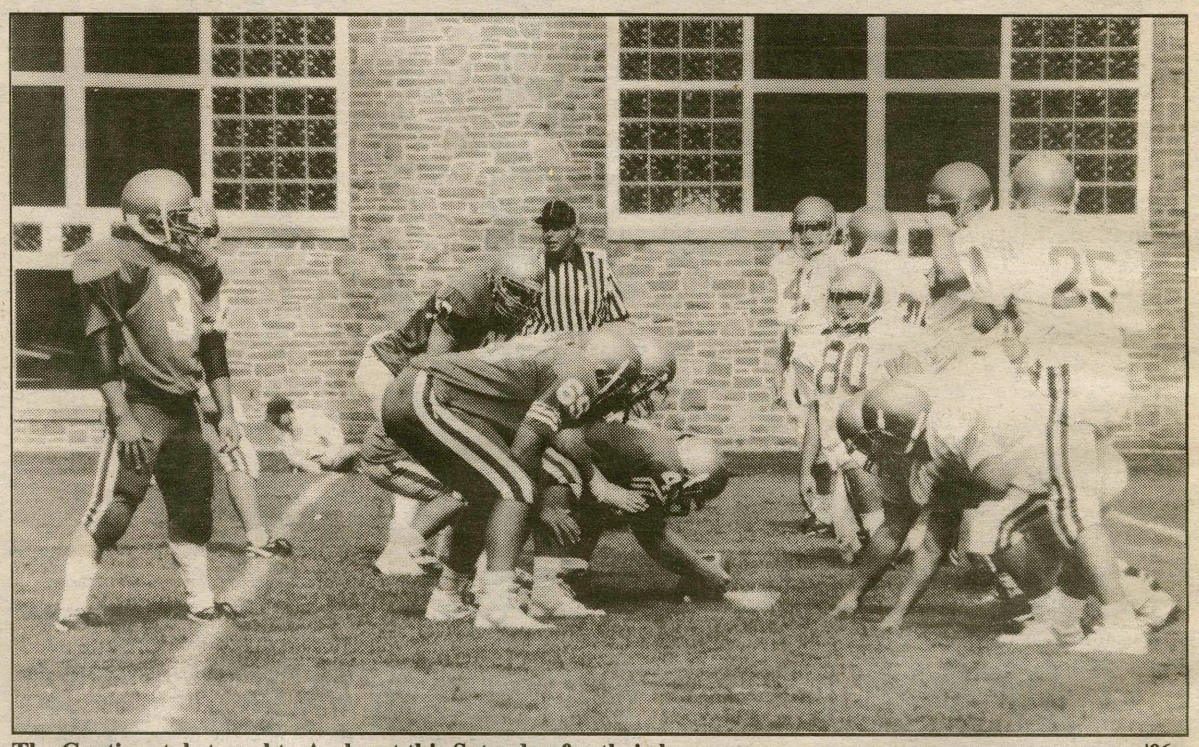
The "D-Line" will be led by Farren at left defensive end. Farren, who took a semester off from school, has returned bigger and stronger to play an integral part in the lineup. The bookend on the other side of the line will be Mark Burlingame '98. Burlingame and Farren should keep opponents wary of running the ball outside of the tackles. Starting defensive tackles will most likely be Mike Velasquez '97 at the left side and Ryan Gragen '97, another returning starter on the right.

Linebackers

Coach Frank is extremely pleased to have two returning starters at outside linebacker. Both Mauricio Ramirez '97, and Bob Nichols '97, are intense, hard hitting players who know how to contain the run, as well as play the pass. A question mark still lies, however, at inside backer. There are four candidates for two starting spots, including Buddy Lasalla '98, Greg Moscatel '97, Frank Lovero '97, and David Martucci '98. Frank says, "All four are quality football players who I would feel comfortable starting." The candidates should be narrowed down after this weekend's scrimmage at Amherst.

Secondary

The defensive backfield is Hamilton's most experienced part of the squad, as all three of last year's starters are back. Holden will position himself at right cornerback, opposite Rob Sarle '97. Free saftey Russ Zacek '97 is also back and adds to the Continental's talented secondary. If past performance is any indication, these three should involve themselves in the run defense, as well as taking care of their cover responsibilities.



The Continentals travel to Amherst this Saturday for their lone pre-season game. PHOTO BY NICK SCHUTZ '96

Special Teams

Holden will also double as the Continental's kicker, while Matt Roventini '96 will handle the punting duties. Both have been kicking extremely well in practice, and should continue to do so as the season opens.

Outlook & Review

As the team goes to Amherst this weekend, Coach Frank hopes to work on basics on both sides of the ball. He is also excited about seeing how the team reacts "to adverse situations against different competition." Lastly, Frank would really like to see the linebacker situation clear itself up. The team is gearing up for the opening day showdown with Tufts at home on September 23. Last Saturday, Frank was pleased with what he and the rest of his staff saw from their Continental team in saturday's annual "Buff and Blue" game. While both quaterback Dan Deblois '97 and tailback Scott Milleison '97 lived up to expectations, Frank also noticed superior individual efforts by Matt Markowski '98 at tailback and Buddy Lasalla '98 at inside linebacker.

Field hockey quick out of the gates with impressive 2-1 start

By Megan Rich'99
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

With an impressive 2-1 record against three highly competitive teams, the women's field hockey team is off to a fast start. The team's first week of competition was a challenge since they played against teams which consistently play well, but the Continentals were tough under pressure and managed to come out with two wins.

The team's first matchup was on Saturday, September 8th at William Smith, a team which three years ago won the National Championship. While the players put up a good fight, Hamilton fell to William Smith by a score of 2-0. The Continentals were outshot 18-3 but managed to stave off a bigger deficit thanks to Goalie Melissa Hyner's '97 prowess in the goal while saving 16 shots.

Even though the first game of the season was an upsetting loss, the team was able to bounce back the following day against the University of Rochester to produce a win by the score of 3-0. The freshman additions to the team proved to be the stars of the day with Susan Glah '99 and Cassie Gaiotti '99 accounting for all three goals scored in the game. The first goal was scored by Glah and was assisted by Karen Werkhoven '96 and Laura Gentner '98. The second and third goals were both scored by Gaiotti. Gaiotti was able to score unassisted on her first goal, and was assisted by Judy Whitaker '97 and Danielle Roberts '98 on her second goal. Goalie Melissa Hyner was credited with seven saves and goalie Malik Farlow '98 with one save at the close of the game. In honor of their efforts, Melissa Hyner and Cassie Gaiotti were both named to the UCAA weekly honor roll which is announced every Monday.

On Wednesday, September 14th, the Continentals faced off for their first home game, against Union College. The team pulled out a victory by a score of 4-2. The game was particularly exciting for Glah who scored all of the team's goals. Glah was assisted by Gentner and Werkhoven on her first goal; Becky Egan '99 on her second goal; Egan and Werkhoven on her third goal; and Gentner and Werkhoven on her fouth and final goal. Although the whole team played an integral part in Hamilton's win, it is unusual that only four players were able to assist or score in the game. Hyner also had an impressive day saving nine attempts on goal.

The Continentals face a very tough season with many experienced and strong teams on their schedule, but the team is proving that they are up to the challenge. Tri-Captain Stephanie Hedges '96 believes that the team has had "two good wins and is playing well with a strong corner which has enabled them to pull through for a couple of fabulous wins."

The team will be a force to be reckoned with both this year and in the coming years, having both strong veteran players and tenacious freshman talent. The Continentals' next game is Sunday, September 17th at Vassar College. The team is looking forward to another great game and another successful outcome.

The Continentals travel to Vasser College on Sunday. PHOTO BY NICK SCHUTZ '96

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The Musket

(The College Symbol)

Welcome to all first years on The Hill. We, the Student Assembly, hope to see you become thoroughly involved this year.

In accordance with last fall's decision by the Committee on Residential Life, the Student Assembly is currently considering some new and exciting proposals which will help guide the college into the next "era."

The Student Assembly Central Council has proposed an amendment to the Constitution of the Hamilton Student Body that would allow students greater flexibility, influence and authority on campus. The main objective of the amendment is to allow the Student Assembly to change the Constitution with a 3/4 vote of the Central Council. This is unless a petition of 100 or more individuals is received to request a referendum.

Having already been adopted by a unanimous vote of the Student Assembly Central Council, all other members of the student body are urged to vote in favor of the amendment. Those wishing to read the actual text of the amendment prior to voting can find it in the Friday, September 15 issue of the Spectator.

Student Assembly has also formed a committee to examine the College's alcohol policy (Alcohol Policy Review Committee) with the hope of making it more flexible. The Chair of this committee is Shane Miller, Class Representative '98. Please contact Shane at x0521 if you have any ideas, want to be on the committee, or have any questions.

Another Committee has been formed to examine the services provided by the College Bookstore in the basement of Bristol. Currently, many people on campus believe that the prices and business practices at the bookstore are not competitive. We hope that actively working with the bookstore will change practices and drive down prices via either negotiations or, ultimately, replacement. Seth R. Glasser, Class Representative '97 will chair this committee and is seeking help from anyone who would like to be involved. Please contact him at x0002 if you are interested.

A perennial wish of the Senior Class is to participate in an outdoor graduation ceremony. Complications, such as the weather, have made outdoor graduation difficult and expensive to plan in the past. Tim Fox, Class Representative '96, however, is chairing a committee that will look into the possibilities of planning an outdoor ceremony this year with a backup indoor rain site. The goal of this committee is to work with the administration in order to have a graduation beneath the warm spring sunlight. If anybody wants to help, please contact Tim at x0648.

Finally, correspondence from the individual classes:

Report from the Class of 1998:

The Sophomore class has met and is currently looking into a few new ideas. First, we are planning to organize a jitney service to Syracuse Airport a few days before the major vacations. We are also looking into chartering a bus to both Boston and New York City during the same time to provide a cheaper, simpler way of getting home. On a different note, we have found that the Health Center would be much more useful if it were open 24 hours a day. Research is being conducted to establish the viability of such a venture, in conjunction with the college administration. As far as events go, we plan to have a major activity this semester, and details will be published in our Class newspaper, the Sophomore Fishwrap. Welcome back, class. Feel free to get in touch with Adam Sichol, President of the class at any time @ x0210.

Report from the Class of 1997:

The Junior Class is currently working on such projects as a commencement speaker, researching student assemblies at other schools, and increasing the interaction between the Alumni and Student Assembly. More to come.....

Report from the Class of 1996

On Saturday, September 9, the Senior Class held their inaugural event, the Senior Year Kickoff Festival. The festival featured the sounds of "Sons of Papaya" and a couple of activities. Random booty, as promised, was given out. Among the popular booty items were flannel boxer shorts that have "Kiss My Al-Ham" printed across the back. The Senior Class will be selling the boxers as a fund raiser. Also for sale are: shot glasses and plastic coffee mugs.

The planning for V.T. Nights is underway and the first one will be fairly shortly. Furthermore, the Senior Class Officers are working on an event for Fallcoming Weekend, September 22 through 24. Every concerted effort will be made to keep the community informed of the details as they develop.

We are currently researching community service projects in which to participate and anyone with any ideas, please contact the Student Assembly office (x4575) or Senior Class President Fred Bush (x1018).

Finally, the Senior Class forum will be held sometime before Midterm Recess, so keep your eyes open for more information.